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CHIANG, LI CONFER ON WAR SITUATION

Pai Moves Hq. Further South As Reds Advance

CHANGSHA SAID FALLEN

Canton, July 27.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and Acting President Li Tsung-jen today conferrred in Taipeh for a most important review of the military situation.

At the same time it was learned that the Central China commander, General Pai Chung-hsi, had moved his command headquarters from threatened Hengyang to Chuanhsien, 110 miles to the South West.

General Pai's field command headquarters is still in Hengyang and there were no indications of any troop withdrawals in the face of the Red advance.

The Reds, unofficially, today added Changsha to the list of captured cities in their Southward march.

One of General Pai's staff officers revealed to the United Press the removal of command headquarters to Chuanhsien. He said a liaison office has been set up in Lingling.

The transfer, however, was not announced officially.

No communique was issued on the Taipeh conference between the former and acting president, but sources close to the Supreme Council made it clear that the developing crisis made the conference one of the most important ever held between the two leaders.

Out of the meeting it is considered probable a decision will be made on whether to seek a two-front defence of South and South West China, or make a single definite stand, sacrificing one or the other. This is purely speculation but the Red progress along three major salients would make the question one of top priority.

A mid-afternoon telephone inquiry to private sources from Changsha brought the laconic "all quiet here today" as the reply. This was taken to mean that the fighting had ended and that Red power had overcome the defence put up by the Peace Preservation Corps which sought to fight a rearguard action after the regulars were withdrawn to Hengyang.

From unofficial but thoroughly reliable sources the combined information gives the following picture:

The major Red thrust is being made against the central salient South of Tungting Lake Changsha and Chuchow are reported to have fallen bu there has been no official confirmation. Government sources insist fighting is still going on in the two cities. However, i is agreed Hengyang is the major target of this salient.

The Western salient has Red units of unknown strength at Patung, on the Yangtse, ready to cross the river where they could reach the highway South Westward in the direction of Chungking. Government sources insist the road was not in condition to permit of passage of armies. Another prong of the Western salient has either captured Changteh, at the West end of Tungting Lake, or at least is in the suburbs. Another highway South Westward begins from Changteh leading both to Kweilin and Chungking.

The Eastern salient involves movements around Taiho and Nanchang. The Taiho column is aimed at Kanchow. The Nanchang elements are believed to be probing for passage Southward between the East River and the coast to join guerillas who have long harassed the Na-

Undeclared Daytime Truce

Official sources today continued unable to confirm or deny the fall of Chuchow to the Communists, or to define the status of Changsha, but Chinese press despatches carried reports of fighting for the past five nights in the suburbs of both railway cities.

These reports said the equivalent of an undeclared truce is in effect during daylight hours, due to the heat. The fighting breaks out at nightfall and dies down at sunrise.

Army reports claimed Luchow, North East of Chuchow, had been recovered. These same quarters admitted that the Changsha situation was critical under pressure of Communist General Lin Piao's five armies striking in two columns. Central News said two brigades of Communists reached the suburb of Chullenpu, two miles from the heart of Changsha, on Tuesday morning.

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JET AIRLINER'S FIRST TRIAL

London, July 27.

The first all-jet four engine civilian airliner, the de Havilland Comet, flew for the first time today. During trials, the test pilot lifted the machine for a short hop. Afterwards he reported that the first trials were "very promising."—Reuter.

Unification Of U.S. Forces In Far East

Tokyo, July 27.

General MacArthur's headquarters today announced the formation of a joint committee to integrate the Far Eastern United States Army, Navy and Air Force components into a "cohesive team."

The Committee's foundations will include the formulation and review of "plans for the joint employment of forces available or prospectively available" to General MacArthur, the announcement said.

The committee will be composed of chiefs-of-staff of the United States Far Eastern Army, Navy and Air Forces with the chief-of-staff of the Far East Command as chairman.—Reuter.

TYPHOON HEADING FOR TAIWAN

According to the weather report at one o'clock this morning, the typhoon was located within 60 miles of Lat. 205 N. and Long. 118 E.

It was reported to be heading North North East, in the direction of Taiwan, moving at seven knots.

Earlier, the Royal Observatory had issued the following statement:—

"At 9 p.m. (Hong Kong Summer Time), the tropical storm centring about 250 miles East South East of Hong Kong, is moving North North East, or North East. Not likely to affect Colony."

The No. 1 typhoon signal meaning "a depression or typhoon exists which may possibly affect the locality" was still up at midnight last night.

S'HAI TYPHOON TOLL 37 DEAD

Shanghai, July 27.

Harbour police reported today a junk capsized in the lower Whangpoo in Monday's typhoon with the loss of seven lives, increasing the number of dead in the storm here to 37.—Associated Press.

THE WEATHER

At 0600 GMT (2 p.m. HKST) the tropical storm which is centred about 240 miles SE of Hong Kong has intensified, and appears to be moving slowly Northward. The tropical storm centred about 400 miles S of Tokyo is also moving slowly Northward. Pressure remains low over SE China and high to the NE of Japan.

Today's Forecast:—Moderate NW winds, backing to West and freshening. Mainly cloudy with local showers.

Yesterday's Weather:—

Maximum: 90.0 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 78.6 deg. Fah.
Sunshine: 8.4 hours.
Rainfall: 3.4 mm.=0.14 in. Total since Jan. 1—1065.1 mm.=41.93 ins. as against an average of 1291.7 mm.=50.85 ins.

	Readings at 10 a.m.	Readings at 4 p.m.
Baro at m.s.l.	1001.7	994.1 mb.
	Equals 29.58	29.47 inches
Rel. Humidity	73 %	69 %
Dew Point	75	73 deg. F.
Wind Direction	SW by W	NW by W
Wind Force	1	1 Beaf.

Total Rainfall	Time	Ins.
High	0630	0.02
	1130	0.02
Low	0130	0.00
	1730	0.00

Nationalist Soldiers For Hunan

Engaged on Chinese Government mission, the Chinese steamer Yu Chung is due to leave for Yulin, Hainan Island, today with about 770 Nationalist soldiers and 4,762 tons of military equipment and stores.

The Yu Chung arrived here from Canton on Tuesday for bunker and provision.

Australian Girl To Stand By Chinese Hubby, Live In Hut

Mr. Tony Ang, Chinese waiter married to a white Australian girl, has purchased a hut in Kowloon, having decided to keep his family of four here for several mohths.

Mr. Ang left Australia with his wife and three sons on June 26, under threat of deportation by the Australian Government.

Early last week he booked air passage for his wife, Marjorie, aged 24, and three sons back to Australia. He said that he did this because he thought he could not provide for his family and afford a proper education for his sons on a waiter's salary in Hong Kong.

Yesterday he said that he had cancelled the air bookings at the insistance of his wife, formerly, Miss Marjorie Petitt of Brisbane.

Mr. Ang added: "My wife is bitterly resentful about the Australian Government's decision to deport me, and is determined not to go back to Australia unless the three boys would suffer too much by living in China.

Money Put Aside

"Marjorie has put aside enough money to pay boat passage for the boys and herself back to Sydney if we cannot make a decent living on my salary."

Mr. Ang said that he went to Australia in 1942, served in the Australian Army for several months, and after the Army gave him an honourable discharge worked for the American Labour Corps for three years.

Mrs. Ang said that she wanted to stand by her husband, and would at least try living in Kowloon for two or three months.

She added: "Tony is a fine husband and father. He has been loyal to us for five years, and now it's our turn to be loyal to him.

"Tony will only earn a Chinese waiter's salary in Hong Kong, so we must do without many things we were used to in Australia. Only if such living will threaten our children's future will I consent to separating our family."

The Ang's three children are Anthony, aged 6½, Richard, five, and Dominic, three months.

Queen Goes Shopping

Blonde Ruth Khama goes shopping in London. Formerly typist Ruth Williams, aged 24 her marriage to African nobleman Seretse Khama has caused a crisis. Seretse's uncle, regent of the Bamangwato tribe, has abdicated because of his nephew's decision and the tribe's endorsement of it. Meanwhile British Colonial Office officials haggle as to whether permission should be granted to Ruth to join her husband in Pretoria. AP Photo.

CNAC TOLD TO MOVE KAI TAK WORKSHOPS

Government has given the China National Aviation Corporation two weeks in which to move its partly completed aircraft maintenance workshops at Kai Tak to a new site.

It was learned yesterday that CNAC has protested and that negotiations with Government on the subject are in progress. In addition, Mr. E. M. Allison, CNAC Operations Manager, left yesterday for the United States to take the issue to higher levels.

Reports current during the week said that CNAC had been asked to move its base elsewhere. This was denied by Mr. F. Y. Ho, Manager of CNAC. He said that only the site of the company's workshop is involved in the issue.

It is understood that the site on which the maintenance workshops are located is needed by the Royal Air Force.

Construction of the workshops was started a few months ago.

Prefab. Structures

The shops were erected on two big lots along the North side of the 07 runway and consist of prefabricated structures costing the company an estimated US$-160,000.

A CNAC official told the "China Mail" that since work began on their workshops at Kai Tak, the company has spent some $6,000,000 in material and labour. Work, he said, is continuing as negotiations with the authorities proceed.

This maintenance organisation being set up at the airport is largely the dismantled CNAC tools salvaged from Shanghai in April and May when the Communists crossed the Yangtse, and eventually overcame the Northern metropolis.

Shanghai Editor Held By Workers

Shanghai, July 27.

Mr. Randall Gould, Editor of the "Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury," and Mr. Charles Miner, the publishers' representative, were barricaded in their offices today by employees who said:

"We will stay here until we get what we want or we all die."

The newspaper suspended publication on June 15 after the workers refused to print that day's issue because they disagreed with a labour story it contained. Later Mr. Gould closed the paper permanently. He said the Editor no longer could control its news content.

The workers claimed the closure was illegal and appealed to the Communist Labour Board which upheld them and ordered that the newspaper's American owner be refused permission to remit any more money to Shanghai except for severance pay.

Approximately 100 employees barricaded Mr. Miner's office. Mr. Gould asked to intercede and was also held.

The Communists apparently are taking no direct part in the demonstration.—Associated Press.

Plans To Entertain Forces Take Shape

The first steps in the Hong Kong community's plans to help entertain Servicemen in the Colony were taken on Monday with the inaugural meeting of the Civilian Entertainment and Welfare Committee for the Forces.

The Committee, appointed recently by the Governor, met in the Council Chamber under the chairmanship of Mr. D. Benson.

Mr. Benson, explaining that Hong Kong will shortly possess a larger garrison that ever before in its history, stressed the desirability of securing the co-ordination of all sections of the community in a collective effort to provide recreation and entertainment for the thousands of men so many miles removed from their Homeland.

Colonel T.H. Spear, representing H.M. Forces, outlined the various amenities which the Army itself hoped to provide, and on behalf of General Festing, expressed warm appreciation that such a representative committee should have been appointed.

After preliminary discussions, the Chairman submitted proposals for the appointment of sub-committees in order to deal efficiently with the many and varied activities it is hoped to cover.

Mr. Benson pointed out that the first and foremost matter of urgency would be the securing of suitable premises in Hong Kong and Kowloon, which would serve as social centres.

Various locations were suggested including the Cheero Club, which the committee considered would be ideal for the purpose in view. Not only is it ideally situated, but an extension might be possible as the demand grew.

Mr. Benson mentioned, however, that the premises had been ear-marked for another purpose, but undertook to explore the matter further.

Reference to the enthusiasm of Clubs and Associations some of which had already placed their facilities at the disposal of the Garrison, was noted with warm satisfaction.

Launch For Picnics

The fine work of the Y.M.C.A. was mentioned, and another outstanding gesture was that of Mr. Lau Tak-po, Managing Director of the Hong Kong and Yaumati Ferry Company, Limited, who had offered to lend a launch every Saturday, which would accommodate 200 troops on picnics to some of the Colony's bathing beaches.

Over 1,000 men have already been provided with enjoyable and keenly appreciated afternoon outings.

In order to provide reading matter, the St. John Ambulance Association have kindly offered to arrange for the collection of books and periodicals, and arranged centres in cars, and Kowloon Hong Kong and Kowloon particulars of which will be advertised in the Press from time to time.

The desirability of all members of the community, clubs and other organisations working closely with the committee was stressed, and to obtain this, the sub-committees were requested to co-opt in order to secure the widest possible representation, and at the same time to avoid over-lapping.

A serving member of the Forces will be appointed to each sub-committee, details of which are as follows:—

Sports: H.F. Shields—Convenor. (Tel. 27447) Dr. A.M. Rodrigues M.B.E., Messrs. E.C. Fincher, R.C. Lee, O.B.E., Kwok Chan.

Swimming: R.A. Brown—Convenor. (Tel. 32582) Messrs. A de C. Sales, Lau Tak Po, William Eu.

Entertaining—Hong Kong: Mrs. H.G. Sheldon—Convenor. (Tel. 20223) Mrs. G.S. Kwok, Mrs. A.E. Matthews, Mrs. Arthur Woo, Messrs. R. Gordon, F.P. Franklin, Tang Shiu Kin, Q.B.E.

Entertaining—Kowloon: Mrs. M. Robertson—Convenor. (Tel. 57214) Messrs. C.E. Terry, W.H. Nolloth, E.C. Fincher, H.F. Shields, Lo Min Nung, Lam Chi Fung.

Concerts: W.H. Nolloth—Convenor. (Tel. 24354) Messrs. D Orchard, A. Coates, T. Weiner.

Welfare: Mrs. E.G. Price—Convenor. (Tel. 27705 Ex. 3) Mr R.A. Brown, Mrs. A.E. Matthews, Mrs. M. Robertson, Col. H.F. Spear, O.B.E.

Finance: D. Benson—Convenor. (Tel. 30483) Messrs. F.P. Franklin R.C. Lee, O.B.E., R. Gordon.

Members of the public who are willing to offer suggestions or assistance are requested to communicate with the Chairman or convenors. Correspondence may be addressed to Box A, Morning Post Building.

KOREAN BORDER FIGHTING

Seoul, July 27.

South Korean troops and North Korean Communist forces have been exchanging fire across the thirty-eighth parallel at the border city of Kaesong for the past two days, it was disclosed today.

The National Defence Department here said the exchanges resulted in three civilian deaths and 13 wounded in addition to the deaths of two South Korean policemen and two soldiers.

Army headquarters held the South Korean fire directed at the Communists was in retaliation for the Communist shelling of South Korean positions. It was understood that the North Korean action was prompted by the South Korean seizure on Monday of a strategic hill position two kilometres North of Kaesong.

The Republican forces wrested from the Communists the hilltop which dominates the terrain North and South of the thirty-eighth parallel. According to the most reliable map the hilltop lies approximately 200 yards North of the border in Communist territory.—United Press.

POLISH GOV'T ON VATICAN EDICT

Warsaw, July 27.

The Polish Government today condemned the recent Papal edict threatening ex-communication for Catholics who are willing supporters of Communism.

The edict is "a brutal violation of religious feeling," the government statement said.

It announced that the government would "severely prosecute all activities which threaten to disturb public order or weaken the people's democracy."—Reuter.

France Ratifies Atlantic Pact

Paris, July 27.

The French National Assembly ratified the Atlantic Pact early today after an all-night sitting. The voting was 398 for ratification and 187 against.

The debate was marred by incidents and fisticuffs. France is the ninth country to ratify the Pact.—Reuter.

(See Page Five.)

Japanese Trade With Red China

Tokyo; July 27.

Japanese trade with Communist China will be resumed with the delivery to Tientsin within two or three weeks of 1,000 tons of Japanese copper electric wire.

The Central Enterprise Company of Tientsin has concluded the contract with a Japanese firm.

Colonel Ralph Mitchell of General MacArthur's foreign trade division, confirming SCAP approval of the contract, said that since it was on a trader to trader basis, no United States policy regarding trade with the Chinese Communist Government was involved.

The SCAP recently approved serveral private contracts for sale in dollars or bartering of non-strategic materials to Communist China. The "delivery of copper wire would be subject to a degree of "quantitative" control, said Colonel Mitchell.

Trade With West

If Communist China wants to maintain a foreign commerce, it will have to deal with the United States and other Western democracies, says George L. Bell, Acting Director of the U. S. Office of Foreign Trade, according to an Associated Press message from San Francisco.

Mr Bell made his statement in an address at a joint meeting of the World Trade Association Executive Committee and World Trade Committee executive and export control sections.

Mr. Bell said the U. S. State Department has not determined any definite policy for shipments to Red China. But he added that the U. S. Government is not unaware of the importance of commercial exchange with areas controlled by Chinese Reds.

Mr. Bell said that much of the future foreign commerce of Japan depends on developments in China. He pointed out that in pre-war years much of Japan's market and source of raw materials was in China, and said that if an exchange of goods is not resumed, Japan will be handicapped in her drive for recovery.—Associated Press.

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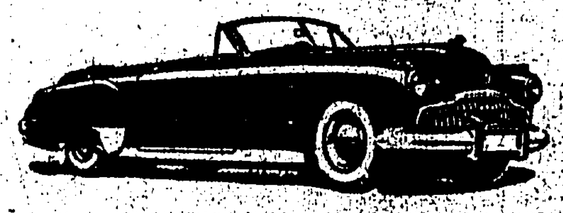

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Americans In No Rush To Quit South China

There is no indication yet of any evacuation by ship from South China provinces of American nationals following the warning issued on Tuesday by the Canton American Embassy advising them to leave the areas now menaced by the advancing Communist forces.

River vessels arriving from Canton yesterday brought only a sprinkling of Americans, mostly women, who declared that they were only visiting the Colony and would return soon if possible.

Local shipping firms operating ships flying the Stars and Stripes seemed to be in the dark regarding evacuation plans in the Colony. "We have not been approached yet," officials said.

No advice relative to evacuation from Canton has been received by the Hong Kong Consulate, Mr. George Hopper, Consul General, said last evening.

Mr. Hopper, however, affirmed that temporary accommodation will be provided aboard United States Fleet ships in port, to those who cannot make their own arrangements, pending departure. The USS Pollux is here already. Two USN craft, USS Platte and USS Bluebird are due here shortly.

Extra emergency accommodation may also be made available aboard merchant ships leaving the Colony for America.

Among those who disembarked from the ss. Wusueh yesterday were Mr. Aaron Herr, Mrs. Martha E. Frank, Miss Alice E. Frank, Miss Marian E. Frank, Mr. and Mrs. P.A. Grieder and child, Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Farmer and Mr. David L. Anderson.

"We are here for a short visit only and will be returning to Canton soon, that is if it is possible," Mrs. Frank, who is residing with her daughters at the Church Guest House, said when approached last evening.

The Farmers are returning to the United States on the expiration of their service in China.

Mr. Anderson of the Northwest Airlines returned from Canton where he was engaged in business affairs.

Meanwhile, local river vessels are still maintaining their schedules to Canton, despite the announcement of the curfew by the Canton Garrison.

"The curfew will not greatly affect our schedules. Our ships arrive at and leave Canton in daylight or at dusk before or after the deadline," an official of a Chinese river shipping firm said.

The Wusueh of Butterfield and Swire is due to leave tonight for Canton. She will reach the Kwangtung capital by daylight.

The Ming Sung Industrial Company, operating their Canadian-built aluminium river craft on the Hong Kong-Canton run regularly, have their vessels running as usual.

Personalia

Passengers who left by the ms. Ani Lee yesterday included Capt. J. Krogh-moe, Mr. J.R. Sykes (for Singapore), Mr. E.J. Watson, Mrs. A.A. Watson (for Rangoon).

When Admiral Sir Patrick Brind, Commander-in-Chief, Far East Station, visited Japan he conferred with General Douglas MacArthur, Vice-Admiral Berkey, Commander of the United States Naval Forces in the Far East, and General Robertson Commander-in-Chief of British Commonwealth Occupation Forces.

Admiral Brind who returned to Hong Kong in HMS Alert (Commander A.A.F. Talbot, DSO), is due to fly to Singapore on August 2.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Stroobach, Mr. S.W. Glass and Mr. D. Brindsen returned yesterday to Hong Kong by ss. Tjibadak from a round trip to Amoy.

Among the departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday were Mrs. K. Buenting, Mr. and Mrs. Lim Mou-chi, Messrs. J.R Phillips, W.D. Barker, D. Knight, A. Dockwrey, A.G. Doyle, A.R. Snyder, A.J. Ramondt, A.J. Storedie, and E.S. Vicuna.

New arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday included Mr. and Mrs. K.T. Kwo, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Arenela, Messrs. R.M. Hoops, C.L. Wong, J. Turner, K.H. Smith, J. Barbagelata, C.Y. Hsieh, and T.L. Wu.

Passengers who disembarked here from the ss. Wusueh from Canton yesterday included Mr. William H. Spencer, Rev. Leonard E. Hickin, Mrs. Mary E. Hickin, Miss Flora M. Wilson, Mr. Karl Hogetvedt, Mrs. Olga Hogetvedt, Mr. Mario M. Rocchi, Mr. Gregary Kraslavsky, Mrs. Rachel Kraslavsky, Mr. Vladimir Grigorieff, Mr. Karl Theodor Martin, Mrs. Rosa Martin.

Friends of Arthur Gee, formerly of the "China Mail," will be interested to hear that he is now working with the advertising agency of J.J. Gibbons Ltd. in Vancouver. His home address is 1626, Stephen's Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Mr. G.M. Glencross, Mr. O. Eng Koe, Mr. Loong Lic Lim, Mr. Lee Kong and Mr. Yee Gin left for Manila yesterday by Hong Kong Airways.

CONCERT FOR NAVAL AID FUND

A total of HK$1,342 was raised for the Naval Aid Fund at the concert by the Hong Kong Light Orchestra on June 26. The Concert was held at the Hong Kong Hotel.

PLEADS GUILTY TO LARCENY

Pleading guilty to charges of larceny from the person and breach of a deportation order, Chan Hung, aged 20, was sentenced to a year's imprisonment, 10 strokes of the cane and banishment by Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

Detective Sub-Inspector J. D. Brown, prosecuting, said that on July 25, complainant Ip Mei-fung, a woman, was walking along Lai Chi Kok Road with a friend. When they came to Cedar Street, defendant came from behind and separated complainant and her friend. Defendant snatched a wrist watch valued at $150 from complainant.

Complainant raised the alarm and a police constable caught defendant in Prince Edward Road.

Mr. MacDonald Arriving Today

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Commissioner-General, South East Asia, is expected to arrive here by BOAC today on a periodical informal visit. He will return to Singapore on August 2.

In Hong Kong, Mr. MacDonald will stay at Government House.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and he no means necessarily agrees with them.

Reform Club Chairmanship

Sir,—It is correct that I have resigned from the Chairmanship and the Committee of the Hong Kong Reform Club, and some days ago gave my reasons in writing to the Committee. In my letter I made plain that I did not intend to resign from the Club and did not wish my action to be taken as being even critical of the Club itself, which I intend to help to the best of my ability.

If it can be avoided I shall not discuss the matter any further.

CHARLES LOSEBY.

Chinese Representation

Sir,—Your editorial "Chinese View," which puts the issue in a nut-shell by saying that "the actuality of power is a very different matter," as the British Labour Party and the Chinese Communists have discovered, that I hasten to pen my endorsement of your fair summary almost in its entirety.

Encouraged by your closing remark of "cultivate a real understanding of the other side," I would like to explain a few points you raised to further your exhortation of understanding of our side of the Constitutional question, as expressed by a group of Chinese who heard a translated version of your editorial and in the subsequent discussion.

The truth must be admitted at the outset that there is no assurance that there is in Hong Kong a sufficiency of persons with capabilities up to the level of ability and integrity to administer a Colony of 2,000,000 people. For such quality is not a gift from Heaven but created by actual experience, for was it not said by our Sages that "Ten years will grow a tree but 100 years will make a Man." Three generations are not too long to get a "Made Man," heredity, prenatal atmosphere, upbringing, education and experience. So let's start now to catch up to lost time. Trial and error, or the proverbial British "Muddle through" if you like is the only way to better society.

Evolutional progress must be started with the first step, however modest it may be. Hong Kong first demanded for a Municipal Council in 1849 and we are today no further than the "talking stage," and if courage and fore-sight is not forthcoming, we might again talk ourselves out of the 1949 Municipal Council of Sir Mark Young, first promised us in 1946, if our "nominated councillors" voice is accepted as the only voice of the people.

It was the K. R. A. who wanted "a safeguard against irresponsible nomination and election" while the C. R. A., as accurately reported by your contemporary, who disagreed with those who "say that unless nomination is retained the risk of having irresponsible councillors cannot be safeguarded against" is to disregard the ability of self-government of both the British and Chinese of Hong Kong. I cannot see any genuine reason why our present Councillors will not serve again in the Reconstituted Legislative Council as elected representatives of the people of Hong Kong. It's the system of nomination that the Chinese are complaining about and not so much the nominees themselves.

Nomination, as a weapon, is too potent for any power-that-be to refrain from wielding, and the temptation for any nominee to resist from yielding. Surely our Public Men do not want to give an impression of hesitating to submit themselves to the public verdict at the first election of Hong Kong with their long record of service to support them.

Your editorial is right in saying that British, if not confined to European British only, to use an unpardonable expression, is more than one per cent of the population of Hong Kong, but for the purpose of electorate, the British subject Chinese who live in the Urban area is not much more. The Census of 1931 listed them as only 15,143, excluding those afloat and in the villages of New Territories. So if the vote is restricted to British and British subject Chinese only, as your editorial and Sir Mark Young as well as the Colonial Office have consistently pointed out in various ways, it would, in actual practice, all but a small number of the 1,000 odd Chinese Members of the Urban Council, and the Chinese Members of the Legislative Council, be Chinese nominated by the British Government, who promised to give a responsible share in the management of [illegible]

E. W.

COMPENSATION AWARDS FOR RESUMED PROPERTY

The award of the Board appointed by Government to consider what compensation should be paid to the owners of property in Bridges Street and Wing Lee Street, resumed by Government for public purposes, was announced yesterday.

The property resumed comprised 14 house sites on Bridges Street, Nos. 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64 and 66, and seven house sites on Wing Lee Street, Nos. 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 22.

The Board comprised the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson (chairman) and Mr. G. W. Grey and Mr. J. E. Richardson (members). It sat on June 13 and 14.

Mr. E.H. Sainsbury, Land officer, represented the Crown. The owners of Nos. 38, 40, 42, 52, 56, 58, 62 and 64 Bridges Street and Nos. 14, 17, 18, 19 and 22, Wing Lee Street, engaged Mr. M.A. da Silva to represent them.

Mr. D.H. Blake at first represented the owner of No. 50 Bridges Street, but later withdrew from the case as he said he had no further instructions.

The Board awarded compensation of HK$7.50 a square foot for the Bridges Street sites, and HK$4.50 a square foot for the Wing Lee Street sites.

Giving the reasons for their decision the Board said:

"We heard the evidence of Mr. Giles, the Valuation and Resumption Officer of the Public Works Department and Mr. McBride, Executive Engineer of the Public Works Department, for the Crown and of Mr. Chau, an architect of Messrs. Chau and Lee, for the claimants represented by Mr. Silva. We also had before us certain agreed data.

"We have delayed the making of our award because, after the hearing, there appeared to be a possibility that the Crown and Mr. Silva's clients would come to terms. They have, however, been unable to do so.

"The general basis on which the compensation falls to be determined is the amount which the land might have been expected to realise if sold in the open market on January 13, 1949, when it reverted to the Crown (section 11 A(4) of the Ordinance).

Built-Up Area

"Prior to that date the area was a built-up area, the Wing Lee Street sites relying for their support on a retaining wall which ran along the side of the street. By that date the retaining wall and the Wing Lee Street sites had collapsed and all buildings on the resumed land had disappeared. The land was covered with rubble. The buildings on the higher ground above the Wing Lee Street sites were endangered by the collapse of those sites. We have no evidence before us as to how this situation came about. Mr. McBride was under the impression that it was the result of bombing during the Japanese occupation but could give no direct evidence on the point. The private owners of the resumed land had taken no action to restore or re-develop the land or even to remove the danger to buildings on the higher ground and Government was compelled to intervene. By January 13, 1949, a certain amount of work had been done by Government and much more has been done since. The owners of the resumed land are, in law, entitled to the benefit of any work done by Government prior to January 13, 1949.

"We are of opinion that on a free sale on January 13, 1949, the price would have been based on the potential value of the land as building sites reinstated substantially as they were when the area was a building-up area.

"No special adaptability of the land for any other purpose, and no less expensive method of developing the area for that purpose, have been shown to exist. The sort of buildings likely to be erected would be tenement houses with cubicles let to tenants of the poorer classes. The ground floors might possibly accommodate some small shops. Four storey buildings would be allowed in Bridges Street under the present law and two storey buildings in Wing Lee Street.

"It was suggested by Mr. Chau that four storey buildings could be erected on the site of 22 Bridges Street if a certain lay-out was adopted but we do not think the lay-out would be practicable.

Heavy Cost

"We had certain evidence as to the probable cost of re-forming the site and obviously the cost would be extremely heavy. This probably accounts for the lack of any appreciable speculative interest in the property, as indicated by such evidence of past sales as was placed before us. Mr. Silva suggested that a purchaser might, by some form of legal action not particularised, have been able to recover the cost of re-forming the sites from the Crowns, but on the facts proved before us, we are unable to say that any that such possibility existed as would materially have affected the market value of the land. The cost of the work actually done by the Crown after January 13, 1949, does not afford any useful guide as to cost of reforming the sites as they were when the area was a built-up area because that work would not in fact have achieved that result at all.

"We are of opinion that the Bridges Street sites are clearly more valuable than the Wing Lee Street sites but we see no good reason to differentiate between the Bridges Street sites inter se or the Wing Lee Street sites inter se.

"Taking everything into consideration, we value the Bridges Street sites at $7.50 a square foot and the Wing Lee Street sites at $4.50 a square foot. The detailed valuations are set out in a Schedule to this award.

"Since it has not been proved that the Crown made any interest-free loan to Mr. Silva's principal, we award them the costs of the proceedings which we fix at $1,000.

"We award $1,000 to Mr. Grey as fees, being the sum fixed by the Chairman."

ECA Staff Leave ms. Yu Men

Some time today the streamlined aluminium motorship Yu Men—which has been a picturesque sight along the Praya by night—will leave her berth alongside Williamson Wharf to moor in Kowloon Bay.

This will mark the end of the two-month contract by the Economic Co-operation Administration, which chartered the Yu Men, to accommodate its personnel and to operate its offices at a cost of US$25,000.

The "evacuation" from the Yu Men was completed last evening—the last day of the contract.

Returned To U.S.

Most of the American personnel have already returned to the United States. Meanwhile, the ECA, headed by Mr. John C. Kassebaum, will operate with four Americans and a skeleton staff of about 20 Chinese, including a driver and an office boy.

The office is at present located in Pedder Building.

The limited scope of the ECA operations has led to drastic retrenchment of the staff. But the organisation is still distributing much-needed materials such as cotton yarn, and rice to Nationalist areas.

Canton and Swatow are the only two cities receiving rice to maintain their rationing system.

The Yu Men will probably be put on the Hong Kong-Macao run of the Ming Sung Industrial Shipping Company, owners of the Canadian-built vessel.

JOKE HAS SEQUEL IN COURT

Chung Tsung-yau, aged 23, of 64 Pukfulum Road, third floor, was charged with larceny before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday.

Complainant was Chan Kaman.

The prosecution said that on July 24, both complainant and defendant went together to Repulse Bay beach. A camera belonging to complainant was found missing after defendant had dressed himself in the tent in which the camera was kept.

On being questioned by the police, defendant denied that he had taken the camera, but said that he would give complainant another camera. He then produced the camera which, the prosecution alleged, he had taken from complainant.

The prosecution said that defendant was from a good family, and had no previous record.

Defendant pleaded guilty and said that he had intended the whole thing as a joke on complainant, whom he thought was inclined to be careless about his personal effects.

The case was adjourned till today, when defendant's parents are expected to be in court.

Fire In Tiger Balm Factory

Considerable damage to stocks and machinery in the Tiger Balm factory was caused yesterday when a fire broke out in the factory at Wanchai.

Located on the top floor of a four-storey building, the factory at the time of the outbreak was packed with finished products.

As tall columns of smoke belched into the sky, the Central District Brigade were in charge of dousing the flames. Members of the Tiger Balm employed [illegible]

Jamaica Returning To Colony Today

HMS Jamaica is due to arrive here today from Japan after routine operations.

Two United States Navy ships are due here to help in the evacuation of American nationals from South China. They are the USS Platte, arriving on July 29 and the USS Bluebird, arriving on August 1.

The USS Pollux anchored in Kowloon Bay.

KAI TAK TOPICS

The Government chartered Far East Flying Training School plane continued to "storm" the New Territories yesterday with pamphlets, calling upon the farmers to produce more vegetables.

The scheme was thought up by the Government Wholesale Vegetable Market Section and put into effect with the co-operation of the Flying Training School.

In yesterday's operation the objectives were Shatin, Un Long, Tolpo, Fanling, Sheung Shui, Kam Tin, Ping Shan, Castle Peak and farm areas around Kai Tak.

Leaflets dropped yesterday bore the official stamp of the Government and those collecting these may present them to the authorities in exchange for a free ration of fertiliser.

With Pan American expanding their local organisation preparing to deal with the arrival of the Constellations in October, a grand Kowloon branch office is now in service in the arcade of the Peninsula Hotel.

The office is richly furnished with comfortable leather upholstered seating and dexine flooring. Venetian blinds shade the large windows looking to the West.

PAA's Kowloon quarters are directly opposite BOAC in the arcade.

The menacing typhoon reported to be threatening Hong Kong early yesterday, did not interfere very much with operations at Kai Tak. All flights were normal and on schedule.

Precautionary measures were however taken by some airlines who had aircraft laying over at the field. Workshop huts had bars and steel cable at the ready, waiting for the typhoon to make up its mind.

ROBBERY CASE DISMISSED

Lee Ming, charged before Mr. Justice Scholes yesterday with robbing Chiu Chau of HK$23.20, was discharged upon the Crown offering no evidence against him.

Mr. M. Heenan, Crown counsel, informed the Court that the robbery took place in the New Territories on July 17. Complainant, who was the sole witness, lived in Chinese territory, and despite every effort by the police, had not been traced. In the circumstance the Attorney General thought that the best interests of justice would not be served by proceeding with the case.

Accused was not legally represented.

PICKPOCKET SENTENCED

A man who tried to pick a pocket while buying a cinema ticket as a "blind" was sentenced at Kowloon yesterday to three months hard labour and recommended for banishment.

According to the prosecution the offence was committed at the Prince's Theatre. Defendant, Chan Chiu, aged 49, while buying a ticket, tried to pick the pocket of the man next to him in the queue, it was stated.

He was spotted by plainclothes men and arrested.

GIFT STATIONERY

For TEENAGERS and adults the following gift items would be very appropriate on any occasion:

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Gift ribbons to tie up your parcels.

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THE EVERGREEN

Accused Tells How He Disposed Of Tinker's Body

Admissions that certain statements he made in the Lower Court—in which he accused others of the killing—were lies, was made by Cheung Woon, accused, at the Chopper Murder Trial yesterday.

Under cross-examination, the 28-year-old tinker, charged with the murder of a fellow-tinker, admitted he thought it would be better for himself if he could shift the blame to somebody else, as he was not legally advised at the time.

Cheung is alleged to have killed Cheung Biu at the Nam Hang Village, near Taipo, New Territories, on May 19, by chopping off his head and to have buried the remains in the hillside and swamp at night.

Accused admitted killing Cheung Biu, but that he had done so unintentionally.

Hearing the case is Mr. Justice Williams, senior Puisne Judge, and a jury of three men and four women. Mr. D.A.L. Wright instructed by Mr. Y.H. Chan, is for the defence. Mr. A. Hooton, Crown Counsel is prosecuting assisted by Detective Inspector F. Roberts.

Continuing his evidence from the day before, Cheung Woon yesterday told the Court that the bruises found on the elbows of the dead man were caused when he tied him up after killing him. The reason for this was that he could not put the body into the basket without having first tied it up.

Disposal Of Body

Dealing with the way he disposed of the body, accused said he covered it with a blanket and sacking because he was afraid someone might see it. Just before burying the body, he untied the ropes binding it to facilitate its burial, as the trench he had dug was too narrow.

Accused denied that he had ever told Tsui Hing, the foki of the deceased, that he regretted having killed the deceased. He only asked him to assist in burying the corpse.

Defence counsel then referred accused to certain passages of the latter's statements made to the police in answer to the murder charge, and asked him whether those passages were right or not.

Cheung Woon told the Court that the passage indicating that Cheung Biu had attacked him as he was going out, and that the fight had taken place outside the house, was not the truth, although he himself had said it.

Giving his reason for this, accused explained that he thought at the time he made the said statements that, if he mentioned that someone else could have seen the fight, it would go better for him later on.

As for the passage—"I hammered Cheung Biu with a stone I used to sharpen knives,"—accused stated that it was also untrue. He further admitted that a part indicating that he had accidentally killed the deceased was another untruth.

Cross-examined by Mr. Hooton, Crown Counsel, accused admitted that he killed deceased with the chopper exhibited in Court. He admitted having knowledge that a chopper was a lethal weapon which was likely to hurt somebody during a struggle. He was however very much confused at the time, accused declared, so much so that he could not think very clearly.

Crown Counsel: "You killed Cheung Biu."

Accused: "Yes."

Did you in the Lower Court in cross-examining witnesses put to them that Chui Kwong-fu killed Cheung Biu?—Yes, I did.

Called to explain all the untruths accused told the Court that when the case was heard at the Lower Court, he thought it would be better for himself if he could shift the blame to somebody else, as he was not legally advised at the time.

Further questioned, Cheung Woon disclosed that when the young boy, Chui, was in the box, he had put it to him that it was his brother who had killed the deceased. He admitted that this was also a lie on his part, for the same reason.

Cheung however denied a suggestion from Mr. Hooton that the whole story he made in this Court about being attacked with a chopper by deceased was as untrue as those told in the Lower Court. What he was telling in this Court, he reiterated, was the truth.

Distance From Door

Crown Counsel then pointed out to accused, in connection with the distance between himself and deceased during the alleged chopper attack, that the distance between accused and the door was shorter than the distance between deceased and the door. Mr. Hooton then asked accused how it was that the deceased reached the door before him, to which accused replied that the difference was only one or two steps.

At this point, Mr. Hooton suggested to accused that the story that deceased reached the door before him and shut it was completely concocted by accused. This was denied.

When he saw that deceased had shut the door, accused said, he himself quickly rose and unbolted it again. He had not however enough time to open the door and run away, as the deceased was already advancing towards him with the chopper.

Questioned further, accused admitted he had not sustained a single injury to his person during the struggle with deceased.

Mr. Hooton recalled to accused his statement that the dead man had made a murderous attack upon him with a chopper and that he had been cornered in the bath space near the main door of the house.

Crown Counsel: "And you managed to prevent him from killing you?"

Accused: "Yes. When I retreated to that corner, he struck a blow at me, which I dodged, and I pushed him away."

"Are you asking the jury to believe that all that could happen without you sustaining any injury?"

"During the struggle we were not striking each other; we were trying to get hold of the chopper."

Fell To Ground

Accused went on to disclose that he pushed deceased so heavily in the course of his struggle that the latter fell to the ground with a thud. When he fell, the chopper fell from his hand a few feet away from him. Accused quickly snatched up the chopper.

Mr. Hooton pointed out that in his evidence, given the day before, Cheung Woon had stated that he had wrested the chopper from the hands of the deceased in the course of the struggle. Accused denied having said this in his evidence. He alleged that what he had said instead was in effect that when, by the time deceased had gotten up from the fall, he himself had the chopper in his hand.

Crown Counsel then put it to accused that the reason why he could not remember very well what he had said the day before was because he was telling a lying story. Denying this suggestion, Cheung maintained that he had told the same story the day before, but that the Court interpreter might have misunderstood him.

Asked as to how the deceased happened to fall a second time, Cheung replied that he not know how, but that it happened while they were struggling together.

In reply to further questions, the accused admitted having lost his temper during the struggle. His anger, he added, was at its highest when he swung the chopper down on the deceased.

Mr. Hooton then put it to Cheung that he bore the deceased ill-will because the latter had tried to kill him once before at Taipo, and also because the deceased owed him some money. Denying this, accused replied that all he knew was that deceased had at one time tried to do away with him.

Further cross-examined, accused denied a suggestion that he had told Tsui Hing that he killed Cheung Biu because, on Chinese New Year's day, the latter had attempted to kill him. What he had told Tsui Hing was that if he did not kill Cheung Biu, deceased would have killed him.

Mr. Williams then asked accused as to why he did not walk out of the house, instead of striking the death blow at the deceased. Cheung replied that he had been so much excited and confused at the moment that it did not occur to him to think of running away.

Accused also revealed that he struck two blows at the deceased while the latter was down.

Dr. Alvares, officer in charge of the Kowloon Public Mortuary, was then recalled to clarify some evidence, in the course of which he disclosed, in reply to a question, that on examination of the corpse, he found that only one blow was used which cut the head clean off the body. This blow, he added, was effected by swinging the death weapon with full force.

Address To Jury

Mr. Hooton in the course of his closing address to the jury, recalled to them that the contention of the prosecution had been that the accused killed the deceased and that this was done with the intention of causing death or grievous bodily harm.

Crown Counsel advised the jury that they need not worry about the killing part, as the accused had admitted it. What was needed, he declared, was to establish the accused's intention as to whether he intended to kill Cheung Biu or not.

"I would submit that the prosecution has established prima facie case of murder," Mr. Hooton declared.

He went on to say that it was not necessary in a case of murder to prove that an accused on trial had had a premeditated plan for the murder. He further submitted hat there was no case for self-defence in this case, because at the time the blow was struck, the danger had been passed. The deceased was lying on the floor.

Mr. Hooton told the jury that if they should think that accused's story was true and if they thought that, as a result of that attack, accused retaliated and killed the deceased, then they might find him guilty of manslaughter.

"But after the Court's summing-up, if you find his story is reasonablely untrue than there can be no alternative but to find him guilty of murder."

In the course of his address, Mr. Wright submitted to the jury that what had actually happened inside the house in question as put forward by the prosecution was mere guesswork and pure speculation. There was nothing fantastic about the story given by accused as to what occurred in there, he added.

The hearing was adjourned until this morning, when Mr. Williams will sum up the case to the jury.

Reminders

Today

HK Art Club, Monthly Exhibition, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Kowloon Rotary Club (closed meeting), Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Barnstormers, European YMCA, 8 p.m. (Jolly Variety Show for Troops).

Y's Men's Club, luncheon, at Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

Asia Lands Limited, annual general meeting, board room of Lowe Bingham and Matthews, 12.15 p.m.

HK Union Church Ladies Guild meeting, Helena May Institute, 3 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

HK Light Orchestra, Singers' rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY

Victoria Recreation Club swimming Gala in honour of Sir Arthur Morse, at VRC pool, 9.30 p.m.

Hearing Of Theft Case Resumed

Hearing of the case against John Love Spencer, aged 19, who was charged with stealing $1,500 and a pawn ticket from his sister, was resumed at Central yesterday.

Three more witnesses were called to the box to give evidence. Mr. J. Stewart, representing Robert Ngai, second defendant, who was charged with receiving stolen property, cross-examined the witnesses.

Second defendant was charged with pawning a diamond ring at first defendant in Lee Sang Pawn Shop in Queen's Road Central, after first defendant had first redeemed it from another pawn shop.

Cross-examined, prosecution witness, Lucille Spencer, another sister of first defendant, said that she had indeed told second defendant that first defendant had stolen a pawn ticket for a diamond ring. She denied that she had been rehearsed by complainant, Mrs. Gertrude Mok To, before she came to court. She admitted, however, that complainant and first defendant had been involved in some sort of quarrel before defendant left home with the money and the pawn ticket.

Father's Will

Annie Spencer, another sister of complainant and defendant, answered in the affirmative when first defendant put the question to her whether their father had left a will when he died in 1938. She said, however, that the will had been declared invalid, and that apart from that, she knew nothing more about it.

Hung Chi, foki of Lee Sang Pawn Shop, identified second accused as the person who had brought a diamond ring into his shop to be pawned under a false name and address.

Asked by Mr. Hin-shing Lo whether in his experience it was common that people usually go to a pawn shop under another name and address for the sake of their social position, he answered that this was possible.

The case was then adjourned till August 11. Second defendant was allowed bail of $500, while first defendant was to kept under police custody.

SOLICITORS' CLERKS TO MEET

A meeting of members of the Solicitors' Clerks' Association will be held at the Association's premises at Hennessy Road on Friday, August 5, at 6 p.m.

The meeting is being called to discuss ways and means of strengthening the Athletic Section of the Association.

An informal meeting was held last week between representatives of solicitors' clerks from different legal firms, at the request of Mr. Lo Wai-hee, who is in charge of the Football Section of the Association.

At this informal meeting, it was felt that the Athletic Section of the Assbeiation could only be strengthened if all eligible athletes at present in the legal line would take an action part in the different sports.

It is hoped that as many members of the Association as possible will attend next week's meeting and put forward suggestions.

SEEK WITNESSES TO ACCIDENT

Witnesses to a traffic accident about 8.50 p.m. on July 23, on Castle Peak Road near Yen Chou Street, are required by the Police.

A Chinese pedestrian was knocked down and seriously injured by a vehicle which did not stop. Witnesses are requested to communicate with the Traffic Office, Kowloon, or with any police station.

Military Stores Arrive In HK

Hard on the heels of the reinforcements arriving here by the troopship Empire Windrush, military stores and equipment reached the Colony yesterday by the RASC steamer Maxwell Brander from Singapore.

The ship brought 840 tons of military cargo and about 130 tons of ammunition.

Children Fly Here On Holiday

The BOAC flight coming in from the UK yesterday carried five children to the Far East to spend their summer holidays with their parents.

This was the advance party of youngsters attending school in England who BOAC and Braathens are undertaking to fly out at special fares.

One schoolboy was dropped off at Rangoon where his parents are; the remainder disembarked in the Colony.

They were Jeremiah and Simon Wilson, sons of Superintendent and Mrs. G. S. Wilson of the Hong Kong Police; Thomas A. Geyer, the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Grinter; and the only girl of the group, Miss Lesley McLaren, daughter of Captain J. H. McLaren, of Everett Steamships Corporation, and Mrs. McLaren.

The children were in a happy mood having enjoyed the trip. The Wilson boys were wearing the school blazer of Gayhurst Manor of Newport.

Aged 10 and 12 respectively, Simon and Jeremiah are looking forward to a "grand holiday in Hong Kong, swimming every day, if possible," they said.

Sunburnt from two days of swimming while the plane laid over at Bangkok, Thomas Geyer greeted his mother Mrs. F. W. Grinter, with a great deal of suggestions of what a wonderful time he was going to make of his two-month holiday with his parents.

Jumping happily to greet Tom, at the airport was his pet dog which Tom in his excitment forgot to introduce. Tom attends school at Stamford in Lincolnshire.

Stepping ashore from the flying boat dressed in neat green was Miss Lesley McLaren who told the "China Mail" that she studies in Cranley School in Edinburgh.

This was the first plane ride for Lesley who described it as interesting. Like her other friends, Lesley intends to pass her summer in the Colony at the beach.

The next plane load of holidaying children will be operated by Braathens and their Skymaster, expected on August 8, will be bringing some 30 or more youngsters with BOAC following to bring more children to pass a vacation with their parents in the Far East.

Delivery Boy Convicted Of Theft

A fine of $1,000 or three months' imprisonment in default was passed by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday on a delivery boy, Au Yeung-kin for stealing $14,751.79 from his employer.

DSI C. Y. Siu, prosecuting, related to the Court that on July 26 a report was made by complainant, Shek Ping-yan, manager of the Wa Fung firm, that $14,751.79 had been stolen from his safe between 6.30 p.m. July 25 and 8.30 a.m. July 26.

The Police went to the premises and after making enquiries suspected defendant who was questioned. He admitted stealing the money and led the Police to 237, Jaffe Road where all the money with the exception of $221.79 was recovered. The money was hidden in four separate parcels.

Chinese Woman Doctor Discharged By Court

A Chinese married woman of 86, Wang Yuet-han, was discharged by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday on charges of practicing Western medicine in the Colony without being registered as a Western medical practitioner and of advertising as a Western doctor.

For the prosecution, DSI C. Y. Siu said that by reason of certain advertisements in the Chinese press, Dr. A. H. R. Coombes and a party of Police Officers went to No. 1, Lee Yuen Street, 1st floor.

On the premises they found certain articles which indicated the practice of Western medicine. The articles found were a kidney tray, a syringe with three hypodermic needles, a vial of penicillin in oil and wax, a vial of thiamine hydrochloride, a bottle of six penicillin tablets, a vaginal speculum and a pair of forceps.

Defendant, represented by Mr. J. C. Stewart, pleaded not guilty.

Dr. Coombes of Queen Mary Hospital, testified that he and a party of Police officers visited the premises and found the articles as listed in a cubicle which he said could be called a small surgery.

He added that there were also a number of empty bottles, antiseptics, Dettol and Iodine in the room.

Witness said that the syringe found was wet inside and gave the appearance of recent use.

Another room in the premises, witness went on, had a desk in it, and was obviously in the nature of a consultation room.

Cross-examined by Mr. Stewart as to the position of a Chinese doctor in the Colony, Dr. Coombes replied that a Chinese doctor is not allowed to practice Western medicine in the colony.

Any Chinese doctor is allowed to practice Chinese medicine as long as he does not use Western medicines for gain.

Witness said that he would have no complaint if sign boards are put up on the premises as long as Chinese medicine is practiced.

In her defence, defendant stated from the witness box that she has practiced Chinese medicine for the last 11 or 12 years. She had never intended to use penicillin or any of the Western medicines found in the premises to effect the cures mentioned in her advertisement. She claimed that the medicines were for her own use.

The room alleged to be a surgery was, she said, used as her bedroom.

Remarking that the evidence was not conclusive, the magistrate discharged defendant and ordered the articles to be returned to her.

Amusement Park Requisitioned

The Greenville Amusement Park at Taipo was requisitioned for the Army by the Quartering Authority yesterday.

In addition, "On Lok Tsuen", a country house at Fanling, was commandeered, also for the Army.

Emergency Declared In Victoria

Melbourne, July 27.

A full state of emergency was declared by the State of Victoria tonight after the Communist Seamen's Union refused to handle coal imports vitally needed since Australia's miners walked out five weeks ago.

The Australian government decided today to use troops to mine coal on August 3 unless the coal strike ends by then.

Large convoys of troops already have left Sydney to work on open cut mines. The government has the assurance of railway workers they will move the coal.

The Seamen's Union ordered crews off pilot vessels in Melbourne harbour. The cease work order was given after the police questioned members of the crew of a tugboat about a decision announced yesterday to consider ships bringing coal from abroad as "black." The stoppage could hold up the entire port if successful.

The Victoria State cabinet met today and it was believed it discussed the Melbourne harbour situation.—United Press.

DOMINION RUBBER CO. MEETING

A debit balance of HK$359,856.45 for the year ended December 31 last was announced at yesterday's annual general meeting of The Dominion Rubber Company, Limited.

Present: at the meeting were Mr. W. Mellor (Chairman) Messrs. J. F. Macgregor and C. D. Slade (Directors) Mr. C. J. Smith (representing the Secretaries and General Managers) and Shareholders representing in all 41,200 shares.

The appointment of Mr. C. D. Slade as a Director was confirmed. Mr. J. R. Jones was re-elected as a Director of the Company.

The Directors' fees were fixed at HK$1,200 a year.

Chiang, Li Confer On War Situation

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Central News also reported that the Communist 52nd division was attacking Wichikei, South of Taiho in Southern Kiangsi, indicating the Communists had either captured or bypassed Taiho which is about 75 miles North of Kanchow, Nationalist base on the Kan River.

Chinese Communists driving Southward from the Yangtse River are reported to have captured Linli, 25 miles North of Changteh, says Reuter.

Changteh is an important Hunan "rice bowl" town, 100 miles North West of Changsha.

An earlier report that Changteh had already been occupied by Communists lacked confirmation; but it is the logical objective for a movement in support of the Communist forces striking at Changsha, Chuchow and Hengyang, from points East of the Canton-Hankow railway.

The drive Southward from the Yangtse is taking place through a network of waterways and paddy-fields West of the Tungting Lake.

Nationalist forces are being rushed to the defence of Changteh, according to press reports. Fighting is taking place less than a mile from the rail junction town of Chuchow, South of Changsha, and in the outskirts of Liling, South East of Changsha.

Both Chuchow and Liling were reported to have been occupied by Communists, but confirmation from official Chinese sources is still awaited.

General Tang Wen-yi, the military spokesman, said that the Communists had mobilised nearly half a million men in the Central China front. They were the troops of the Communist generals Lih Piao and Liu Po-cheng.

He said that the Nationalist armies, withdrawing from non-strategic points, were still intact and waiting to choose their own time to strike back at the Communists.

Moslem General Ma Hung-kwei, Deputy Commander-in-Chief in North West China, who is visiting Canton, conferred yesterday with Marshal Yen Hsi-shan, the Prime Minister, according to a Chinese press report.

The report said that as the result of the talks between the two leaders, sizeable supplies of war equipment would be sent to North West China in the near future.—United Press and Reuter.

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E. G. HAZELTON, OBE.,
Lieutenant-Colonel,
Assistant Director
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Hong Kong.

July 20, 1949.

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Notice is hereby given that an Interim Dividend of £2. 0. 0. per share (nett, after deduction of Hongkong Corporation Profits Tax) has been declared in respect of the year ending 31st December, 1949, at a rate of 1/2 13/16d. per Dollar.

This Dividend will be payable on or after Monday, 15th August at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

The REGISTER OF SHARES OF THE Corporation will be closed from FRIDAY, 29th JULY to SATURDAY, 13th AUGUST (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS,

A. MORSE,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, July 12, 1949.

POLICE NOTICE

Sometime about 20.50 hours on July 23, 1949, Saturday, a traffic accident occurred on Castle Peak Road near Yen Chou St. in which a c/m pedestrian was knocked down and seriously injured. The vehicle concerned did not stop.

Any persons witnessing the accident are asked to communicate with the Traffic Office, Kowloon or with any Police Station.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

July 27, 1949.

POLICE NOTICE

Police Notice of July 27, 1949, is amended to read as follows:

It is hereby notified for General information that the use of Clear Water Bay Road from junction with Kun Tong Rd. to No. 7 Cemetery by Learner motor drivers between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. daily is cancelled until further notice.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

July 27, 1949.

NOTICE

This is to advise that effective July 27, 1949, two additional direct telephone lines have been installed in this Office, and for the convenience of shippers and consignees, these two lines will be used exclusively by our Freight Departments as follows:—

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Fined For Bringing Girls Into Colony

A married woman from Canton, Leung Yuk-ha, was charged before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday with bringing wards into the Colony without notifying the proper authorities.

The wards were Tang Chui-chan, a girl of 18, and Luk To-kuen, a girl of 12.

The prosecution said that the matter was first discovered when the elder girl reported to the police and alleged that she had overheard a conversation in which defendant offered to sell her into prostitution. There is, however, no evidence of this, and there are no visible marks of violence on the bodies of either girl, according to the prosecution.

Defendant told the court that she had come to the Colony to visit her sister. She admitted that she had moved from the Kee Sun Hotel to Kwong Tai Lung Hotel; but denied that she had bargained with a man about the money to be paid for selling the girl into prostitution while she was there.

She said that the elder girl was presented to her by the girl's mother four years ago, while the younger one had been reared by her since birth. She added that she herself had given birth to no children.

The older girl's father was present at court, and corroborated defendant's statement as to the circumstances under which the girl passed into her hands.

Defendant was fined $40.

The elder girl was returned to her father. The younger child was to be kept under the care of the Women and Children Welfare Department pending the arrival of the husband from Canton to prove that he is economically able to take care of the child.

Deaths From Tuberculosis

More than one-fifth of the deaths from all causes registered during the week ended July 16 was due to tuberculosis.

The weekly Health Return shows that 66 of the 307 deaths registered were tuberculosis victims.

Births during the period under review totalled 918.

Fishing With Explosives

"Where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise"—and had Li Yau-hai, 18-year-old fisherman, known about it he would have been richer by $50 today.

Charged with fishing by using explosive, Li was fined $50 by Mr. F. W. Skutil at the Marine Court yesterday.

"How did you know that explosives would kill fish?" asked the Court during the proceedings, conducted by Inspector Nippard of the Marine Police.

Defendant replied he learned it from the old man from whom he had bought the explosives.

The prosecution told the Court that Sub-Inspector Owens was patrolling the Nun Pai, Port Shelter, area on Monday when he heard explosions and noticed spouts of water.

Defendant was seen gathering fish floating on the surface, which had apparently been knocked out by the blasts.

No explosives, however, were found on the craft.

Remarking that had the police discovered explosives aboard his sampan it would have been a more serious case, Mr. Skutil fined defendant $50 and gave him the option of serving seven days in gaol in default of payment.

The Court cautioned Li on another charge of failing to take out a licence.

Steel Cuttings Case Adjourned

Further hearing of the action for a claim and counter-claim for breach of contract involving 50 tons of steel cuttings is continuing before Sir Leslie Gibson, Chief Justice.

Hearing yesterday was adjourned until this morning following evidence by Pan Sien-yang, sole proprietor of defendant firm.

The Kian Guan Company Limited, of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Building, are plaintiffs. They are represented by Mr. B. A. Bernacchi instructed by Mr. D. B. Evans. Mr. Leo d'Almada, KC, on the instructions of Mr. M. A. da Silva, is appearing on behalf of defendants, the China Trading Company Limited, of Alexander Building.

Plaintiffs claim the sum of HK$17,633 from defendants and costs of the action. They claim that defendants failed to accept a delivery of steel cuttings, the subject of a contract between them dated March 7, 1948.

Defendants on the other hand counter-claim for $24,490.55, claiming that they had suffered from the fact that plaintiffs had delivered goods not up to specification as contracted.

TRAFFIC NOTICE

Learner motorcar drivers have been banned from using the section of Clearwater Bay Road, from Kun Tong Road to the No. 7 Cemetery, until further notice. The daily prohibited hours are between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.

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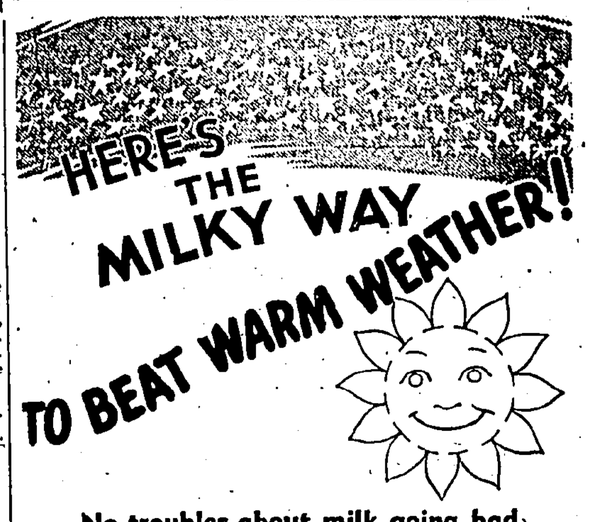

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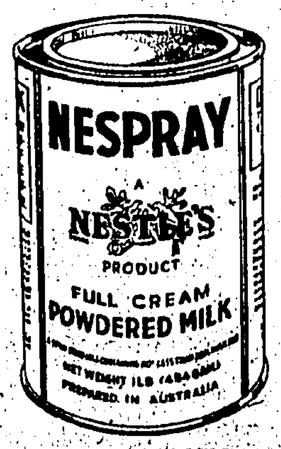

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	S 8 H K Q 10 8 5 D K Q 9 2 C A 8 2	
S A J 7 5 H 4 3 H J 6 2 D 10 3 C 10 3	N W E S	S K 6 2 H A 7 4 D 6 C K Q J 9 6 5
	S Q 10 9 H 9 3 D A J 9 7 5 4 C 7 4	

(Dealer: East. Neither side vulnerable).

East	South	West	North
1 C	1 D	1 S	2 H
3 C	3 D	3 S	4 D
4 S	Pass	Pass	Dbl

Bidding varied considerably at several tables of a duplicate game where this deal was produced by the shuffle, but most ended in 4-Spades, either doubled or not. The swings in tricks taken varied widely, however. At the last table to play the hand, West bemoaned his hard luck in being the only declarer who was defeated. He could do nothing about it, since his hard luck was due to the defence against him.

North opened the heart K to the A. The spade K, J and A cleared out trumps and the club 10 was led. North won with the A, led the diamond 2 to the A, and the heart 9 return produced tricks for the 10 and Q to beat the contract.

At another table North led the K of his partner's diamonds, which won. On seeing the singleton in dummy, he switched to a trump. That declarer consequently lost only one more trick, to the club A, so made an extra. Another West made an extra because North chose the unsound lead of a trump. The luckiest West of all favoured by a North who thought he might give South a ruff in clubs, so opened the A. When West put the 10 on it, he decided that was a false-card and that his partner's card was probably a singleton. So he led a second club. West thereafter had nothing to do but take out trumps and use clubs for enough discards to give him all the rest of the tricks, or all except the opener won by the club A.

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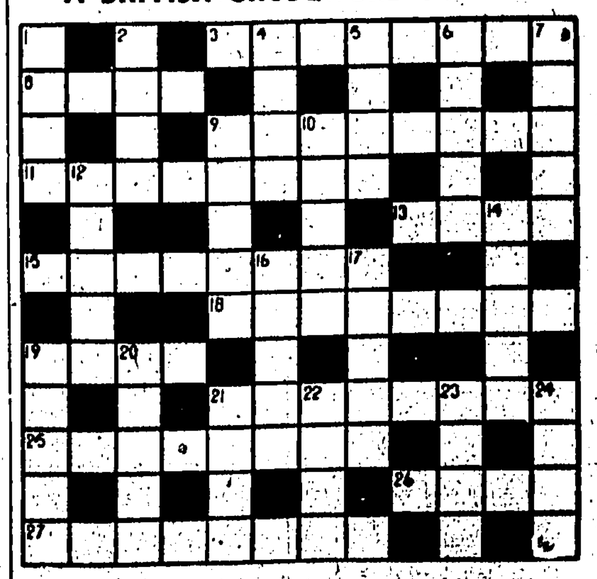
Tomorrow's Problem

	S 6 3 2 H A K Q J 10 7 5 4 D 6 3 C None	
S None H 9 8 6 D K 5 4 2 C A K Q J 7 5	N W E S	S 10 7 4 H 2 D Q J 9 8 7 C 8 6 4 3
	S A K Q J 9 8 5 H 3 D A 10 C 10 9 2	

(Dealer: South. North-South vulnerable).

What bidding would you favour on this terrific freak?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

1 Artisan.
3 Highest point.
9 Calamity.
11 Trained.
13 Lazy.
15 Fights.
18 Hangs.
19 Rind.
21 Alarmed.
25 Fragrant.
26 Orientation.
27 Silt.

Down

1 Reputation.
2 Bill of fare.
4 Send out.
5 Chief.
6 Observed.
7 Hew.
9 Appointments.
10 Factions.
12 Hum.
14 Shelf.
16 Set of rooms.
17 Increase speed.
19 Minute passenger.
20 Finished.
21 Slander.
23 Solid.
25 Plunder.
24 Drug.

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS—1 Shadow, 4 Ticks, 7 Asterisk, 8 Envoy, 9 Gossip, 11 Essayed, 13 Agitate, 15 Riddle, 16 Sepia, 19 Proposes, 20 Hides, 21 Supple.
DOWN—1 Slang, 2 Dress, 3 Whippet, 4 Tokens, 5 Conveyed, 6 Swayed, 10 Stipples, 12 Serious, 13 Answer, 14 Adapted, 18 Drop, 17 Ennui.

BATTLE OF MP'S IN FRENCH PARLIAMENT

Paris, July 26.

Punching, shouting deputies fought on the floor of the National Assembly today in a riotous free-for-all which broke up the debate on ratification of the Atlantic Pact.

The scuffle, the wildest in the French chamber for more than six months, broke out during the closing stages of the debate, which began on Friday night.

Tired, irritated anti-Communists and Communists, after bombarding each other with clichés for five days, began throwing punches in the Assembly late today and continued fighting for 15 minutes in the lobbies outside after the Assembly President, Edouard Herriot, had suspended the session.

They swung haymakers in bitter hand-to-hand struggles on the Assembly floor.

The police reported that [illegible] was seriously injured, although there were several black eyes, bloody noses and two pairs of glasses smashed.

Pandemonium broke out while Edmond Michelet, moderate Rightist and former War Minister, had the floor. M. Michelet, who was interned in a Nazi camp during the war, had lashed out at the Communists in the morning session.

Attacked By Reds

Greeted by catcalls when he resumed his speech in the afternoon after the adjournment, he reminded the Communists that they had met him with wreaths and decorations after the war.

Yves Peron, a husky Communist, and two others rushed at M. Michelet and began swinging at him. Within moments the entire floor was covered with punching, yelling men.

Assembly officials hustled the scrappers into the corridors, where they set to again with fists flailing and glasses flying in the air. The 90 in the shade heat and lack of training finally halted combat.

M. Michelet was yanked off the floor by supporters, who applied cold compresses to his bleeding and swollen nose. The Communists retreated to their own rooms to count casualties, which included many black eyes.

Trade Union Petitions

Later, when tempers had been given a chance to cool, M. Herriot recalled the session.

It is expected that the Atlantic Pact will be ratified by an overwhelming majority, with only the Communists in opposition, late to-night or in the early hours tomorrow.

When the debate resumed today, a large parcel of petitions against the Atlantic Pact was handed to the Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, by a representative of the Assembly's Communist deputies.

The petions were collected by Communist sympathisers in trade unions and other organisations.—United Press and Reuter.

REBEL AMBUSH NEAR RANGOON

Rangoon, July 27.

Six Government soldiers were killed and 10 wounded when rebels ambushed a Government patrol near Hlaukkyan, 21 miles North of Rangoon, it was officially reported in Rangoon today. Four soldiers are missing.

An army communique said that Red-flag Communist forces attacked a Government garrison at Kyaw, a hamlet near Pakokku, groundnut centre, 80 miles South West of Mandalay.

The Government troops killed four rebels before evacuating Kyaw. The communique added that Government troops on an anti-rebel sweep in the Kyaukse district, South of Mandalay, killed 60 and wounded 54 rebels.—Associated Press.

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TALK ON ATOMIC SECRETS

Washington, July 26.

The explosive question of sharing atomic bomb secrets with Britain is due for discussion at another conference of U.S. law makers and high Government officials on Wednesday.

Senator Brien McMahon, Democrat, announced that the Senate-House Atomic Committee will meet at the Capitol with the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, and the Secretary of Defence, Mr. Louis Johnson. He said the purpose will be to continue consideration of foreign relations in the field of atomic energy.

The major question now awaiting decision in this field is whether to give Britain information about the latest model atomic bomb and how to make it.

Another, related question is where the U.S. will get all the uranium it wants for atomic development if Britain becomes offended by a denial of information and reduces the flow of the mineral to this country from British-controlled mines.

The two major sources of uranium now available to the U.S. are Canada and the Belgian Congo, where the mines are controlled by British interests.

Unless some satisfactory agreement is worked out with Britain, this country can not expect to get more than half of the Congo uranium in the future, according to one member of the joint committee, who asked not to be named.

Wednesday's meeting will be the third in a series.—Associated Press.

DIVORCE REPORT DENIAL

Nice, July 27.

Press reports here today, announcing a divorce between th Aga Khan and the Begum, were denied by the Begum this afternoon. She told a reporter: "The reports are utterly false. The Aga Khan, who is now at Evian Les Bains for a cure, will return to Cannes on July 27."

"We are travelling to Deauville on August 4 to join Prince an Princess Aly Khan," she added.—Reuter.

MERLE OBERON ROMANCE RUMOUR

Venice, July 27.

Rumours that Miss Merle Oberon, the movie actress, may marry Count Giorgi Cini, the Italian multi-millionaire, were revived here today.

Friends of Miss Oberon said: "We cannot comment yet." The reports have persisted despite denials by Miss Oberon, who was previously married to the British film producer, Sir Alexander Korda, and to Lucien Ballard, a cameraman.—Reuter.

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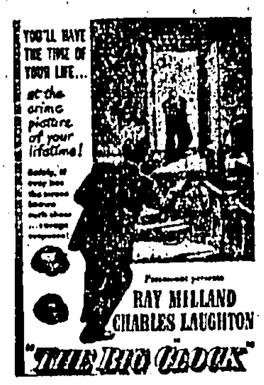

— TOMORROW —

Spencer Tracy, Lana Turner in "CASS TIMBERLANE"

King Making Good Recovery

London, July 26.

King George remained standing throughout a 40-minute investiture ceremony at Buckingham Palace today, indicating considerable improvement in his right leg.

The King, who underwent an operation on his leg in March, remained standing for only 25 minutes at the last investiture ceremony.—United Press.

Fears For Safety Of Witness

Los Angeles, July 26.

The authorities fear that the key witness in the gangland shooting of mobster Mickey Cohen may have met with foul play and have ordered a state-wide search for him.

Cohen's "boys", meanwhile, offered their blood in an effort to save the life of Edward "Neddie" Herbert, henchman who was wounded critically when Cohen was ambushed last Wednesday on the Sunset Strip.

The missing witness is Edward Johnson, sporting goods dealer, who sold one of the shot guns which cut down the dapper little gang leader, Herbert, and two companions. Investigators hoped that Johnson could identify the pictures of possible suspects as having bought the gun. Johnson had been due to arrive here on Friday.

The State Attorney-General, Fred Howser, said he is much concerned over Johnson's failure to arrive.

The authorities also planned to question Johnson's son, Roy, a clerk in his father's store, who might have sold the gun.

Cohen, who is recovering from shoulder wounds suffered in an ambush, sent out an order to his henchmen to give aid to Herbert, when Herbert's condition took a turn for the worse. Herbert undertook an emergency operation last night. Within one hour after Cohen's order, 17 of his "boys" lined up at the laboratory for tests of their blood types.—United Press.

Belgrade Charges Against Greece

Belgrade, July 26.

The official news agency Tanjug charged Greek Government troops tonight with deliberately creating tension along the Yugoslav frontier by sending troops and warplanes across the border almost daily.

One Greek Government soldier was killed by the fire of Yugoslav frontier guards on July 7, Tanjug said.

In an authorised statement, the agency said in part:

"Provocation of frontier incidents, flights over Yugoslav territory and systematic violation of the Yugoslav frontier by monarcho-Fascists have in the course of this month assumed the character of constant disturbances of armed provocations and deliberate creation of tensions along the frontier.

"Frequent firing of gun shells and almost daily violation of air spaces of the free peoples of the Republic of Yugoslavia are proof of the fact that the Athens Government has no intention of ceasing the policy of maintaining a tense situation and creating armed provocations on the frontier towards Yugoslavia."

The statement then listed alleged daily incidents between July 5 and 11, in which Greek forces are reported to have fired over the frontier, crossed into Yugoslavia and dropped bombs from planes while over Yugoslavia.—United Press.

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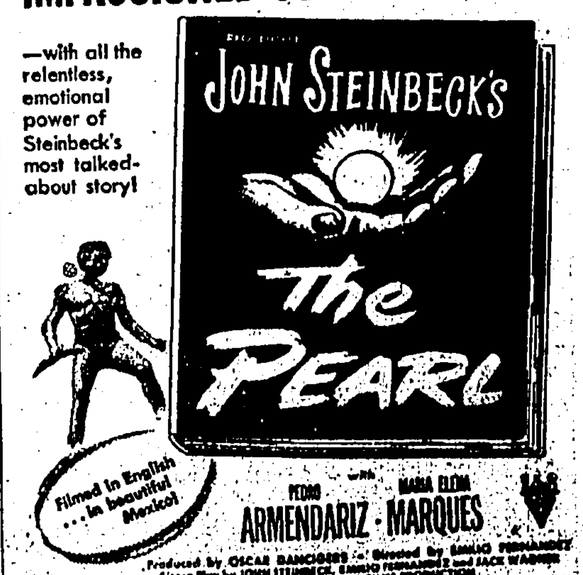

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IRAN SETTING UP MODERN ARMY AND AIR FORCE

Teheran, July 26.

Iran has gone all-out to modernise her army and air force.

The War Minister, Marshal Amir Ahmadi, has presented a bill to the Majlis asking for authority to send 50 officers to military academies in Europe and the United States every year.

The preamble to the bill stated: "The Ministry of War deems it fit to send a regular group of officers to military establishments in Europe and America so that Iranian officers may complete their military education there. Places for these officers have already been reserved in European and American military and technical schools."

The Iranian army has already received large supplies of arms and equipment from the United States. These supplies were part of the material purchased on loan from the United States surplus army stocks.

They were sold to Iran for US$10,000,000 although they were estimated to be worth more than US$100,000,000.

Local American diplomatic and Iranian army spokesmen told United Press these supplies would be used by the Iranian army to maintain internal security and defend Iran's frontiers in case of foreign aggression.

Russian Attacks Ignored

When Iran announced her intention to purchase arms from the United States, the Russian press and radio lambasted the Iranian Government "which has sold its country to the dollar imperialists."

The Russians even charged that Iran was being converted into a military base against the Soviet Union.

The Soviet press and radio attacks, however, seem to have little effect on Iranian leaders. Iranian army uniforms have recently been changed to resemble those of the U.S. army.

A high-ranking officer of the Iranian general staff told United Press: "We know we are going to draw hell-fire from our Northern neighbours for deciding to send our officers to the United States and Europe. But we can't help it. We must have a modern army—especially with the present tension gripping the world."—United Press.

JAMES STEWART TO MARRY

Indiana, Pennsylvania, July 26.

The film actor, James Stewart, will marry Mrs. Gloria McLean, former model, on August 9 in Brentwood, California, Presbyterian Church, according to his father in Indiana today.—Associated Press.

REFUSES TO MARRY ACTRESS

London, July 26.

The Vicar of London's famous Old Bow Street Church refused today to marry the actress, Angela Lansbury, and Peter Shaw, because Miss Lansbury had been married before.

She flew to London with her fiancee, a Hollywood set designer, today. She promptly telephoned the Church to ask permission to be married there—where her father and grandfather worshipped.

"The Vicar was very charming," said the platinum-haired actress, "but he explained that he does not feel he can marry people who have been divorced."

Miss Lansbury was married to the actor, Richard Cromwell, in 1945 and divorced him a year later.

The Reverend G. J. Ansell, Rector of the Bow Church, said: "I am very sorry and I am sure she must be disappointed. But I cannot find it in my conscience to marry, someone in my church who has been married before."

The Church of England frowns upon church marriages of divorced persons but the final decision is left to the Bishop of each Diocese. The Reverend Ansell said he had conferred with his Bishop before making the decision.—Associated Press.

TOO QUIET FOR GUYS LIKE HIM

Naples, July 27.

Saying "Sicily is far too quiet for a guy like me," Charles (Lucky) Luciano, former New York "vice king," was back on the Italian mainland today after only a week of "exile" in his native village near Palermo.

The Rome police had "exiled" him after a period of questioning in Regina Ceoli Prison about an international drug ring. Luciano said that he intended to spend a long time in Naples.—Reuter.

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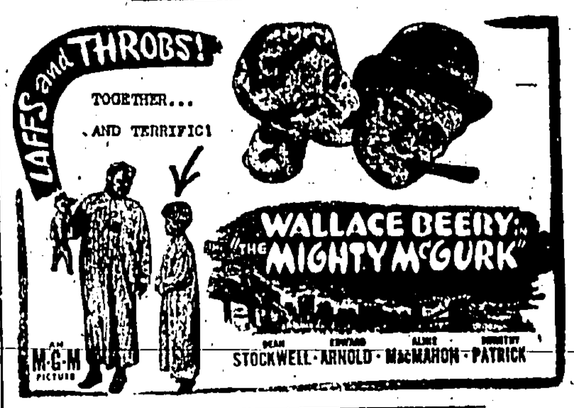

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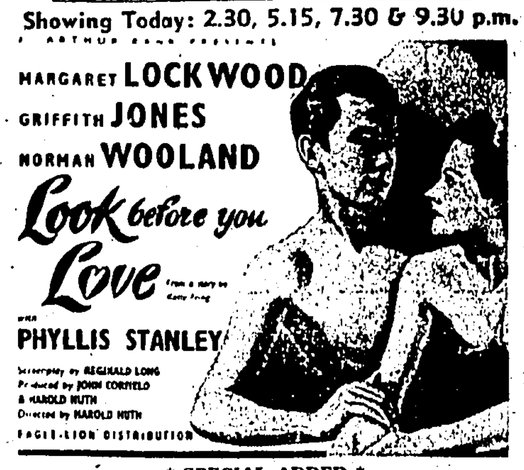

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SHANGHAI CLEANS UP TYPHOON'S WRECKAGE

Shanghai, July 26.

Typhoon-lashed Shanghai today was clearing its streets of silt and wreckage left by the worst storm since 1915. The toll is 29 dead, 23 injured and possibly 200,000 homeless.

The typhoon churned in across the East China Sea on Sunday, the day after it raked Okinawa. Shanghai was deluged by 3.94 inches of rain in 25 hours. Water up to six feet deep surged through the streets.

A tenement collapsed in the crowded Chapel district, killing at least 10 persons. In downtown Shanghai, a three story restaurant and an old hotel caved in. Communist authorities said more than half the huts making up lower residential areas in Northern districts were destroyed.

High winds ripped down trees and power lines. Short circuits started fires in which 10 perished. Five were electrocuted by fallen wires.

Despite Shanghai's heavy damage, it is believed the typhoon's greatest havoc was in surrounding agricultural areas. Acres of gardens were destroyed or damaged. The lower Yangtse valley rice crop, within 40 days of harvest time, was hard hit.

The storm came on top of devastating floods which had already ruined crops, flooded cities and made hundreds of thousands homeless in Central and South Central China.

Urgent Task

As the drenched dazed city took a half stride back to normal life after 24 hours of storm, it became evident that the most urgent task was the caring of 200,000 refugees in suburban slums.

They poured into the city from the Northern and Western districts on Monday after the savage rainlaced typhoon "Gloria" flattened their homes and swept away many of their meagre possessions.

Under the direction of the Communist municipal authorities, the more fortunate city dwellers went to work to find food and shelter for these thousands of men, women and children who have no relatives and friends to help them.

They wandered from the Northern and Western flood districts in pitiful destitution, until a relief committee took charge of the situation and mobilised big staff workers distributing food, finding temporary homes and sending the sick and injured to hospitals.

Meanwhile, the rest of the city repaired smashed windows, fences, trees, signboards, telephone power wires and drained streets and basements of flood waters.

Dangling power wires caused a menace to life on Monday night and pedestrians were warned by soldiers and police not to venture into unlighted streets.

New Typhoon

(The typhoon struck Shanghai after leaving two dead on Okinawa, big American air force island base. Sixteen Americans were injured. Damage to U.S. installations was estimated unofficially at $20,000,000.

(The U.S. Army in Tokyo port relief supplies by plane port relief supplies by plane and ship to Okinawa.

(Meanwhile another typhoon moved toward Japan after passing Iwo Jima. If it keeps its present direction and intensity, it is expected to hit Shikoku Island in South Western Japan or the densely populated Kobe-Osaka area of Honshu, farther North East.)

Shanghai's damage toll would probably have been heavier except for the absence of important shipping in the Whangpoo river. In the storm of July 26,1915, the death toll was 200 and 26 ships were wrecked.—Associated Press and United Press.

POLICE CHIEF KILLED

Rangoon, July 26.

J. P. Cornelius, Anglo-Burmese Deputy Superintendent of Police, and four other Government officials were killed by Karen Communist rebels near the rice delta town of Moulmeingyun, 65 miles South West of Rangoon, it was officially learned today.

Forty Communists attacked the Buddhist temple dwellings three miles East of Moulmeingyun and looted gold, jewels and other valuables left there by the townsfolk for safe custody, said today's official communique.

The Communists fled after killing the priest in charge and the town's Buddhist population organised a manhunt for them.

The Communist brigands also attacked Mezli, a village a mile further from Moulmeingyun, and burned it down after killing some of the inhabitants.

Hla Maung, Secretary of National Planning, has submitted to the Government a report on the starting of operations at the Central oil field of Yenangyaung following the evacuation by British nationals, the Associated Press was told today.—Associated Press.

BAN ON GERMAN RED PAMPHLET

Berlin, July 27.

The United States Military Government today announced that it has banned a Communist Party pamphlet because it is a malicious attack on the occupying powers.

The pamphlet, which has already been banned in the British Zone, was compiled by the Communists as propaganda material for the West German elections, which are to be held on August 15.

Announcing the ban, the American authorities said: "It is the intention of the Military Governor to ensure that election propaganda, of no matter what Party, is not misused as a vehicle for propaganda against the Western occupying powers, regardless of whether this propaganda is of German origin or inspired by what are clearly non-German sources."—Reuter.

HARRIMAN NOT RESIGNING

Paris, July 26.

Reports of the intended resignation of Mr. Averell Harriman, the Marshall Plan roving Ambassador in Europe, are unfounded, a spokesman of the Economic Co-operation Administration in Paris said today.

Mr. Harriman, who is now in Washington, is expected to fly back to Europe early next month. He will be accompanied by the Marshall Plan Administrator, Mr. Paul Hoffman.—Reuter.

Briton Found Murdered

Singapore, July 28.

A geologist, A. C. Rimes, who was reported missing after a Communist ambush on the River Kemanan on Monday, was found this afternoon. He was dead with a bullet wound in the head.

A Police cadet, J. A. Enbury, whose father lives at Tunbridge Wells, Kent, and who joined the police force in Singapore only last August, was killed in the ambush.—Associated Press.

Belgians May Vote On Leopold

Brussels, July 26.

M. Paul Struye, a Catholic Senator and a former Minister of Justice, today introduced a Bill in the Upper House, providing for a referendum on whether or not King Leopold of the Belgians, provisionally exiled, should resume his throne.

Mr. Henri Rollin, Socialist, who was re-elected President of the Senate today, announced that the Bill will be studied in committee.

Meanwhile, M. Gaston Eyskens, Catholic Vice-Premier and Finance Minister in the Socialist-Catholic Cabinet which resigned after last month's general election, is still trying to form a new Government after 29 days of political crisis. He is the third man to take on task of Cabinet-forming.

The negotiations have been deadlocked so far by the "Royal question."

King Leopold has been in exile for nearly five years during which his brother, Prince Charles, has been Regent.

As a result of the election last month, the Catholic Party hold an overall majority in the Senate, but are two votes short of a majority in the Lower House—the Chamber of Deputies.—Reuter.

HEART'S CONTENT CELEBRATES

Heart's Content, July 26.

The 1,000 people who live in Newfoundland's "cable town" are putting out flags today and preparing to celebrate the 93rd anniversary of the bridging of the Atlantic by cable.

A monument to Mr. Cyrus Field, who laid the first cable across the ocean in the cable ship Great Eastern, will be unveiled tomorrow.—Reuter.

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This is the entrance to the estate in Taiwan where General Chiang Kai-shek has been living since he left his home in Fenghua, in Chekiang Province.

TAIWAN'S POLITICAL POT COMES TO BOIL

(This is the last of three stories on Taiwan by Tom Lambert, Associated Press correspondent who has just returned to Tokyo after an assignment on the Chinese Nationalists' Island redoubt.)

Tokyo, July 26.

Reflected heat from the Chinese civil war on the mainland 100 miles away is bringing Taiwan's political pot to a slow boil.

That pot contains a variety of ingredients. They include the rising resentment of Taiwanese against their Nationalist rulers; the issue of Communism; and the desperation among Nationalists who have chosen the Island for their last stand.

The mixture is being stirred vigorously by Reds and Nationalists alike, each hoping for a broth of their own liking. Yet no one can tell what the result will be.

The main factor on the Island at the moment is the shadowy Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who is still Nationalist China's number one man despite his "retirement" from the Presidency.

Generalissimo Chiang chose Taiwan as his redoubt and fled there after directing the unsuccessful defence of Shanghai against the Communists in May.

Generalissimo Chiang wants to keep a semblance of his regime intact in Taiwan because he is convinced war is fast approaching between the United States and Russia.

In such a war, he believes, the U.S. will select him as the head of its anti-Communist Allies in Eastern Asia. Thus, he will be restored to his former position as ruler of all China.

May Resort to Anything

This reasoning may be difficult to believe, but it comes in identical form from so many sources that it must have a foundation.

If that is what the Generalissimo really thinks, then he may resort to anything to hang on to his chosen refuge.

The "anything" could include letting the rest of China slip away to the Communists by keeping his remaining troops and his estimated US$300,000,000 in gold and silver intact on the Island.

Competent estimates are that he has about 300,000 uniformed men in Taiwan, about half of them Navy and Air Force personnel.

These forces should be adequate to hold Taiwan from Communist attack and from Taiwanese unrest alike—provided they will fight. Whether, or how well, they will do so is guesswork.

Meanwhile, the Western powers are keeping sharp eyes on developments.

Taiwan's future is supposed to be decided at the Japanese peace conference. But such a conference is somewhere in the nebulous future.

British Request

The Island is under Chinese Nationalist rule because of the decision at the wartime Cairo conference. Possession was promised China.

If, at some future time, the Reds should be officially recognised as the government of China, the status of Taiwan makes for interesting speculation. Would the Reds try to seize Taiwan? Would Chiang successfully defy them? What would the attitude of foreign powers be?

American and British sources on the Island have heard that Britain already has asked the U.S. what its position will be in event the Reds take Taiwan.

So far as is known, the U.S. has kept quiet, but the future of Taiwan is going to demand an answer sooner or later.—Associated Press.

HEAT WAVE IN UK CONTINUES

London, July 26.

Scattered thunderstorms are expected tonight to relieve but not end Britain's virtually unbroken succession of hot, sunny days during July.

Today's temperatures remained from three to four degrees below those of yesterday, which was Britain's hottest day of the year.

London's temperature this afternoon was 80 degrees Fahrenheit, three degrees less than at the same time yesterday.

Hot weather continued in Western Europe, although Southern Italy was hit by a hailstorm that damaged olive groves.—Reuter.

CHINESE DEFENCE CHANGES

Taipeh, July 26.

The recent decision to create a South East Military and Administrative Area Command, together with unconfirmed reports of a reshuffle of personnel in the Taiwan Garrison Headquarters, indicates that Nationalist China is determined to streamline its organisational set-up to pave the way for counter-attacks, Reuter learns from usually reliable sources.

These sources said that the establishment of the South East Command with headquarters in Taipeh, and with Governor Chen Cheng as its concurrent overall head, is significant in that the Generalissimo's Tsungtsai office will also be located in that city.

According to some reports regional offices will be established under the South East Command. They will be situated in Amoy, Tinghai (in the Chusan Archipelago) and Kunchow in Kiangsi.

The same reports say that General Tang En-po, one of the two Deputy Directors, will be stationed in Amoy. The other deputy chief who has been named is General Wang Tung-yun, former Governor of Hunan.

These reports, so far unconfirmed, reveal that the Taiwan Garrison General Headquarters may also be reorganised following the inauguration of the South East Command. The Foochow Pacification Headquarters may also be reshuffled.

A new Governor may also be selected for Fukien to replace General Chu Chao-liang who will, if he leaves, take up an important post in the Central Government.

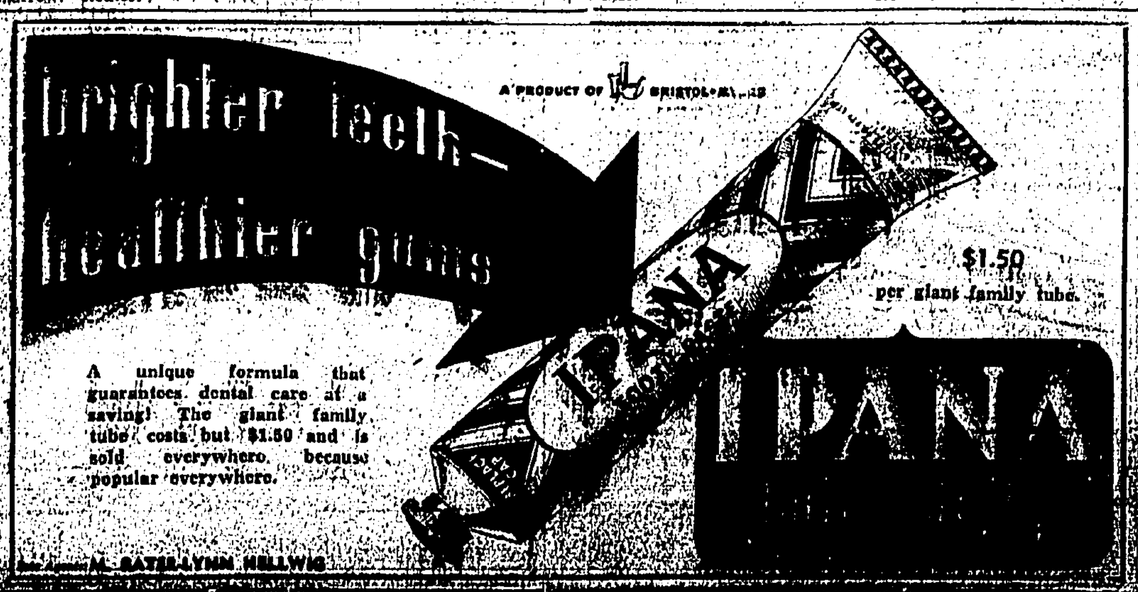
Recent speculation as to the possibility of General Pai Chung-hsi, Commander-in-Chief, Central China, being appointed National Defence Minister, has abated. It is now thought that he will be given more territory to look after including, possibly, some sections of vast South West China.—Reuter.

BOY KILLED IN PLANE CRASH

Freiburg, July 26.

A civil plane crashed in the Black Forest near here, killing the pilot's three-year-old son and seriously injuring five other occupants.

The crash was announced by the German police here today.—Reuter.



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TORY MOTION OF CENSURE TURNED DOWN IN COMMONS

London, July 26.

The Labour Government overrode a savage Opposition attack in the House of Commons tonight for its handling of the recent dock strike.

The censure motion proposed by Anthony Eden, Deputy Leader of the Conservative Party in the Commons, was defeated 245-185. The vote came a few hours after King George revoked his emergency proclamation for dealing with the waterfront stoppage.

The Government also heard favourable reports from negotiations at Labour Ministry with officials of the National Union of Railwaymen.

BRITAIN FACES NEW TROUBLE

London, July 26.

The King today revoked his emergency proclamation to deal with the now-settled waterfront strike, but Britain still faces new labour trouble.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, announced revocation of the proclamation to a cheering House of Commons as it opened the debate on the walk-out.

Simultaneously, the Labour Government negotiated to prevent further spread of the "go slow" strike on the nationalised railways.

Officials of the Ministry of Labour conferred throughout the day with representatives of the National Union of Railwaymen, who threaten to "go slow" unless their demands for pay rafters are met.

Meanwhile, as the House began the debate on the dock strike, Sir John Anderson, Scottish National and chief of the London Port Authority, charged that the authority of the dock Labour Board was undermined by the Government action.

Sir John warned that Government's action in repudiating the Labour Board's back to work order to dockers a few days before the walk-out was settled might still have the most unfortunate consequences.

The effect of the railway "go slow" is already being felt in London. At Broad Street station 1,000 workers began "working to the rule book" unloading 136 tons of fish and 1,000 quarters of meat. Other workers in Manchester joined in the go slow move.—United Press.

The Union President, W. T. Potter, told newsmen after an eight-hour conference on the Union's threat to take go-slow action: "The outlook is not as black as it was this morning."

The railwaymen demand a 10 shilling wage increase for all workers.

Mr. Eden climaxed the bitter Parliamentary debate on the dock strike by proposing a token reduction of the Labour Ministry's expenditure — traditional censure method. Earlier, he accused the Government of committable failure in its handling of the strike and demanded that if the Government had evidence that the Communists fomented trouble the facts should be published immediately.

The Labour Minister, George Isaacs, promised that they would be made public in due course.

Three Aliens

The Home Secretary, Mr. Chuter Ede, blamed the London dock strike on a group of men from Canada who, he said, set up an office in London towards the end of last year.

This, he told Parliament, was before the Canadian ship Beaverbrae, which was involved in the dispute, sailed from Canada.

These men closed the London office the day after the dockers decided to return to work, he added.

He was defending the Government against charges of inefficient handling of the docks dispute.

Other facts which Mr. Ede gave were that one of the three "gentlemen of alien blood" whom he had deported, was found to have an invitation on him from the London unofficial "Lock-Out" Committee.

It invited him here from the Communist International Dockers' Conference at Marseilles.

Forged Telegram

Mr. Ede said that he could get no confirmation of a statement made at the final meeting of dock strikers that the Assistant Minister of Labour in Canada had decided, towards the end of last week, that he would do something in Canada to end the dispute in England.

What settled the dispute was the decision of the porters —"English trade unionists"— that they were not going to be cat's-paws any longer, he said.

Mr. Anthony Eden said he did not believe that the strike was due solely to Communist agitation. There had been many unofficial stoppages and one had to look deeper.

Winding up the debate, Mr. George Isaacs, Minister of Labour, gave as an illustration of the "deceit" practised by strike leaders the sending of a forged telegram.

It was, he said, telephoned from a barber shop that was used as an office by the Canadian strikers. It was sent to a meeting of dockers in Newport, Wales.

Canadian Ship Leaves

Bearing the name of R. Barrett, Secretary of the National Association of Stevedores and Dockers, it read: "London stevedores and waterfront workers are solid in support of official strike Canadian Seamen's Union. We call upon waterfront workers of the United Kingdom to follow our example."

Mr. Barrett had denied that he ever sent such a telegram, Mr. Isaacs added.

The Canadian strike ship Beaverbrae moved away from her berth in the Port of London tonight on the first stage of her journey back to Montreal.

There were no incidents as the 9,034-ton vessel slipped quietly away, watched by newsmen and Scotland Yard detectives.—United Press and Reuter.

Formula For Strike Settlement

Sydney, July 26.

The Combined Mining Unions' Council, which represents all Australian mine workers, will meet representatives of the Australian Council of Trade Unions on Wednesday to discuss a settlement formula for the Australian coal strike.

The alternative to a settlement in the strike, is the acceptance by the miners of an ultimatum that the Army will begin open cast mining on August 1.

The ultimatum is to be issued by the joint conference of representatives of the Federal and State Governments, the Australian Labour Party and the New South Wales Trades and Labour Council.

The Combined Mining Unions Council will decide whether it will recommend to a meeting of the Miners' Council that meetings be held to allow miners the chance to say if they will return to work.—Associated Press.

MALTA DEFENCES TESTED

Valetta, July 26.

Extensive two-day exercises to test Malta's defences started here today with all three armed services taking part. The Royal Air Force has been reinforced for the occasion.

The exercises include submarine and E-boat attacks and coastal landings by raiding parties and saboteurs.—Reuter.

Cordial Talks On Palestine

Rosh Pinna, July 26.

An introductory meeting of the mixed Israeli-Syrian armistice commission was held here in Israeli territory today under the chairmanship of the U. N. Staff chief, Brigadier-General William Riley.

After today's meeting the agenda deals only with the general procedure of the mixed armistice commission set up under the armistice agreement signed last week.

The next meeting has been adjourned until August 11, that is until after the first three weeks since the agreement was signed, by which date the Syrians must have evacuated the first area North of Mishmar Hayarden.

Today's meeting was attended by the Israeli chief of the four armistice commissions, Lieutenant-Colonel Moshe Dayan, who was accompanied by members of the Syrian-Israeli armistice commission, Major S. Silberman, Captains Y. Vegel and B. Shapiro. The Syrians were represented by Major Sawieh and Captain Bisri Afiff.

The meeting was held in the most cordial atmosphere in a hotel here. No chairman of the commission has yet been appointed, but it is thought that the U.N. French Lieutenant-Colonel G. Village, present at today's meeting, may be elected.—Associated Press.

ASIAN SCHOOLS TO BE HELPED

London, July 27.

The United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organisation today announced a scheme to help needy European and Asiatic countries to obtain education equipment in exchange for other goods.

Under the plan, which was prepared in co-operation with the Economic Commission for Europe, war-devastated countries are asked to supply detailed lists of their scientific and education requirements and information on the commodities they can offer in exchange.—Reuter.

ARMS RACE THREAT BY ISRAELIS

Lake Success, July 26.

Israel today threatened an arms race with the Arab states unless the United Nations Security Council reinforces its embargo on the shipments of weapons to the Middle East.

Aubrey Eban, permanent Israeli representative to the United Nations, told a press conference that the Security Council must take action on this question immediately now that armistice agreements have been concluded between Israel and all countries which fought against her in the Holy Land war.

Under the truce agreements, which preceded armistice pacts and which were drawn up in conformity with the Security Council directives, a strict arms embargo was ordered against Israel and Arab states.

Mr. Eban said: "The Security Council will have to decide whether the replacement of a truce by armistice agreements annuls all features of the truce resolution, particularly the ban on importation of arms to the Middle East. If freedom is restored and Arab countries continue to rearm heavily, Israel will not allow itself to be overtaken."

Mr. Eban recalled that Israel several weeks ago sent a letter to the Security Council calling its attention to British plans to resume open arms shipments to Arab states.

He said he was informed that other countries, which he preferred not to name, are now also shipping arms to the Arabs.

Mr. Eban said: "We have been sorry to read many declarations of Arab leaders concerning a 'second round.' In these circumstances, my Government's first duty to Israel and the United Nations is to see to its own defence."—United Press.

U.S. Moves Staff Out Of Berlin

Frankfurt, July 26.

Mr. John J. McCloy, United States High Commissioner-designate in Germany, said today that he will transfer the bulk of American Military Government staff from Berlin to Frankfurt and Bonn in the Western zones in the immediate future.

The move will be completed by the time the West German Federal Government, whose Parliament is to be elected on August 14, is functioning.

He stressed that there is no question of the United States leaving Berlin. He will retain in Berlin all those elements of the future High Commission which handle quadripartite matters, the Military Government division for the American sector, including economic and political representatives and units of the American Army and Air Force engaged in occupational tasks.

A British spokesman in Berlin said that the British authorities are still undecided whether similar action should be taken with regard to the British Military Government staffs.—Reuter.

BRITAIN TO AID ARAB COUNTRIES

London, July 26.

British representatives from the Middle East ended a four-day conference tonight after deciding that Britain should give adequate aid to the Arab countries.

The Foreign Office said no communique will be issued but it is understood the diplomats agreed that unless the Arab states are given substantial aid the oil-rich Middle East will have to be written off in the event of war with the Soviet Union.

For four days British diplomats and Foreign Office experts have been piecing together the jigsaw of the Arab political and economic scene with remnants of the structure of Western treaty relations with the Arab lands.

Throughout the Foreign Office conference, the representatives stressed the need for measures to raise the general standard of stability and security throughout the Middle East, without which, they said, no progress is possible.

Their reports showed that individual Arab states are looking to Britain and the United States for the lead and that the trend of events is drawing the Middle East as a whole steadily towards the Western camp.

British diplomatic reports showed that millions of dollars and pounds sterling are waiting to be spent in reconstruction and expansion programmes if the Middle East can be made a more attractive field for investment through political stability.

British projects for the next few years are expected to double the present oil production in the region and oil production expansion is the most significant factor in raising living standards in the Arab countries.

Capital Needed

The conference at the Foreign Office reviewed Middle East projects which were already in hand, but laid stress on the need for capital to start bigger projects, particularly in irrigation, which will require huge outlays of foreign capital.

Throughout the Arab states British diplomats said, the populations are pinning...fresh hopes on irrigation schemes to transform great tracts of wastelands for growing food for the fast-increasing populations which are about 80 per cent rural.

British representatives paid special attention to schemes for creating an overall fund for resettlement of Arab refugees, which, they said, is the first prerequisite for economic reconstruction. The schemes include projects to provide accommodation and labour for hundreds of thousands of refugees in development of hydro-electric power, flood control and land drainage.

Strong Points

The British diplomats emphasised that these factors must outweigh immediate political considerations. They stressed that British policy must be framed to include the state of Israel in all important long-term projects and stressed that Israel can contribute substantially towards making the Middle East an attractive investment.

Service chiefs have attended certain phases of the conference, but the main emphasis was laid on economic development.

However, there no British intention to abandon the Middle East from the strategic viewpoint. Gibraltar, Malta and Cyprus will remain strong points in the Commonwealth lines of communications, but economic reconstruction of the Arab lands was adjudged to be the best defence of the oil fields, said to be the vital factor in the cold war.—United Press.

RUSSIA MODEL, SAYS POLAND

Geneva, July 26.

Poland, the first Eastern European Government to comment on the proposed $36,000,000 United Nations plan to aid backward countries, today suggested the economic development of the Soviet Union as a model.

The permanent Polish delegate to the United Nations, Mr. Julius Katz Suchy, told the 18-State Economic and Social Council that the industrialisation and agrarian development of backward countries must take place within the framework of a general plan.

There must be an analysis of why so many nations retain their backward character, he declared, adding that it is because they had long been subject to colonial exploitation for agricultural and raw materials under foreign political and economic domination.

He gave no hint of how much the Polish Government will be willing to pay towards the scheme.—Reuter.

GBS PRISONER IN OWN HOME

Ayot St. Lawrence, July 26.

The famous dramatist, Mr. George Bernard Shaw, remained a prisoner in his own house today —his 93rd birthday—rather than face the crowds who were anxious to see him.

The world's most famous playwright, who hates birthdays, remained adamant about refusing interviews to crowds of reporters and photographers who surrounded his house here.—Reuter.

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FORCES' WELFARE

The advent of the cumbrously-titled "Civilian Entertainment Committee for the Welfare of the Forces" (why not "Forces' Welfare Committee?") came and went without any fanfare, despite the potential importance of its activities. The first meeting was held privately, and the report of its decisions published today does not make exciting reading, having been naturally concerned with preliminary organisation, formation of specialised groups, and the like. Much, however, may be expected from this body, if present hopes are realised.

One or two concrete achievements were indeed announced. The Hong Kong and Yaumati Ferry Company have offered a launch every Saturday to take 200 troops on picnics to bathing beaches. An excellent idea, but capable of much expansion. More boats might be made available by other firms and individuals, and the military authorities should set aside special buses and lorries to take as many men as possible out for a day's swimming—not forgetting cool drinks and tasty snacks.

Although it may not be an immediate preoccupation of the committee, it is to be expected too that the Army will provide adequate transport facilities for the many troops stationed in the New Territories who will want to see city lights at least at week-ends.

The position of these men should be appreciated. There is no war on, and they are near a bustling, modern city with many diversions for those with the necessary money, yet they will be restricted most of their time to empty spaces, military discipline and their own company. One amelioration could be the project sponsored by St. John Ambulance Brigade to collect books and periodicals from civilians. Advertisements will shortly appear in the Press giving details of this scheme, and we would earnestly request our readers to come forward with the magazines etc. which they have already read. We can assure them that each copy will be perused and passed from hand to hand for a long time afterwards.

The committee stressed the desirability of all members of the community, clubs and other organisations, working together for the welfare of the Services. This is an obvious necessity, and the committee must see that it is made the controlling point for all such activities. It has been emphasised more than once by the men themselves that the troops do not want charity, or patronising Lady Bountiful invitations en bloc to the local equivalent of the manor house.

On the other hand, they would appreciate being asked to one of the sports clubs, for instance, putting up teams against the civilians, having some drinks and possibly a dance—giving as much pleasure to their hosts as they themselves receive. Many such possibilities will come to mind as keen and willing minds get together to discuss possibilities. In this light we look forward to military members being co-opted as the need arises, and their views thoroughly assimilated. It would be worse than useless to go ahead with plans which were unsuitable or undesirable. We would strongly recommend, also, that Service representatives be not restricted to commissioned officers. With the best will in the world, these may not fully appreciate the wishes of the ranks, and we therefore suggest that, from time to time, private soldiers, junior and senior NCO's be called upon to give their views to the committee.

This body can serve a most essential purpose, and those who have come forward to give their services are deserving of much praise. We can look forward to considerable good as a result of their activities, provided these are wisely inspired and guided.

BRITAIN'S DEFENDERS GO TO SCHOOL

By J. D'ARCY DAWSON

In the vast pinewood country around Camberley the highest ranking officers from the three fighting services, together with representatives from 13 Civil Ministries, have launched "Exercise Britannia", a tactical exercise to probe into the best methods of dealing with the problems of civil defence in the event of another war.

The plan was announced by Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery at the conclusion of last year's tactical exercise.

In the chair today is Field-Marshal Sir William Slim, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, who will have with him the chiefs of the Navy, Army, and Air force, together with high officials of the Civil Ministries.

The officers taking part in the exercise represent the finest technical brains in Great Britain, and they will need all their skill to work out a plan which will stand up to the totally new conditions which may be expected in another war.

Senior officers from overseas are also attending, for the War Office believes that the value of this great conference cannot be under-estimated. In addition to the chiefs of the three Services, Army commanders from the seven Home Commands, the Middle East, and Far East, will be present.

The last war showed that civil defence is a vital factor in war and this year the problems will be examined in the light of new discoveries in warfare, not least of which is the best way to tackle the atom bomb.

The atom bomb has transformed the problems of defence, especially in the field where it is now recognised that there must be a breaking down of large unwieldy concentrations of stores and men. Dispersal into small compact units self-supporting and drawing on widely spaced bases is the short answer to the atom bomb, but in the defence of Great Britain the problem is much more complex.

We may expect heavy bombing—not all of it atom bombing—which with the increased size and explosive energy of the bomb load could very easily disrupt civil life, make it difficult to operate factories, and cause serious interference with defence plans involving the movement of troops.

The exercise now under discussion will be designed to deal with all these problems and ensure that, however violent the attack, the country will be able to carry on and the defence forces meet the emergency without undue dislocation.

Tremendous Task

Envisage for a moment the type of problem which could easily develop if the fighting services did not work in close co-operation with the civil departments. Take the atom bomb first.

The enormous damage done by the bomb and its radiations following the explosion would make the area untenable. The first natural effect would be streams of survivors along the roads blocking transport and hindering relief work.

If the attack were followed by a big parachute drop, the danger would be intensified and would make the task of the troops very difficult.

The conference must, therefore, devise a scheme which, while getting relief to the victims of the attack, will also keep the roads clear for military operations.

The Civil Ministries, particularly the ARP service under the Home Office, will have a tremendous task requiring an organisation as perfect as possible yet capable of local rearrangement according to circumstances.

While there must be an overall plan, there must also be great flexibility. On the ARP services will depend the provision of counter-measures to atomic radiation and the scientific experts must work out the best means of minimising this danger.

Because of the enormous damage which would follow bomb attacks, clearance squads must be in readiness to open communications. The last war, both in the field and in the cities, showed that heavy bombing attacks often defeated their purpose because the troops could not get through owing to roads being blocked by huge masses of debris.

Months Of Work

Our attack on Caen was held up by this cause, and instead of the infantry and armoured vehicles passing swiftly through to follow up the initial disorganisation of enemy troops they were faced with walls of rubble which took days to clear.

In a closely built-up area such as Great Britain, this type of disorganisation could have serious results, and it will be essential to deal with obstacles very speedily.

The necessity for keeping factory production running at full speed after attack is another problem requiring much thought, for even under the limited bombing of the last war—and by comparison with our attacks on Germany it was very limited—dislocation of effort was serious.

I have only touched upon a few of the problems, but in the realm of the defence forces there are the difficult questions of supply bases.

The general lines of co-ordinated defence may be established, but to work out decisions in detail will require many months of hard work and constant revision.

The Generals, Admirals, Air Chiefs and Civil Departments in this post-graduate course will need all their skill and knowledge to hammer out our security problems, and their task is one in which the whole population have a real and vital interest.

"Dinkum Aussies" In 18 Months

From H.M. WATT

Australia's urgent need for immigrant labour has become more and more apparent with general acceptance of the 40-hour week demanded by her all-powerful trade unions.

Each immigrant ship as it arrives from the U.K., the Continent, Italy or Yugoslavia makes the headlines. One, the Cyrenia, which came from Genoa, recently brought 600 immigrants from no fewer than 20 different European countries. The popular Georgic has brought 2,000 from Britain.

Migrant is the name now popularised in Australia for those arriving daily either by ship or plane to seek a new life and to remedy the sparse population here. For to every Australian, either rabid Communist or sober-minded Conservative and Liberal, this stream of new arrivals comprising home-British and assisted D.P.s from Europe is regarded as vital to the country's future.

Sincerely the Australians wish to receive as high a proportion of British as possible.

"They settle down very quickly" expressed an Irish-Scot, for 20 years resident in Sydney. "Within 18 months they're 'dinkum Aussies' and there's no language difficulty."

By sea and by four-engined aircraft, some 25,000 migrants will have found Australia in the past months, many of them professional men and women, technicians, clerks and unskilled workers. But though they are hospitably received the housing shortage is becoming acute.

The Federal Government's scheme to spend £11,000,000 on improvised housing during the next 15 months as well as to utilise Army camps will not cover the needs.

A total of 100,000 displaced persons are expected by June of next year. Many migrants will be required to build for themselves. But they need have no fear of financial want. The jobs are there for them—wages £9 5s. and upwards—and British, Czechs, Austrians, Italians, Balts and Poles many accustomed to a 50-hour week, will be able to supplement their income by week-end jobs.

Thousands in rural and semi-urban parts are already doing that, this being hailed as learning quicker about Australia. Trade unionism, vehement in its demands for 40 hours from employers, is turning a blind eye on this.

Workers In Demand

How bad is the labour shortage? Every public work, foundry, factory, office and laundry in Sydney appears to display boards asking for workers. A prominent Sydney daily carries 51 full-length columns of "Positions vacant" advertisements representing 6,000 known jobs going a-begging.

Laundries, for instance, can only keep going with the casual work of married women. Employers insert displayed advertisements offering all sorts of amenities and stressing no Saturday work to recruit typists.

A Melbourne dealer was confident that he would get a good manager for his new shop; he had a house for him and was prepared to give a 10 per cent bonus.

English-speaking migrants will have the initial advantage in securing posts in business offices and departments in the big cities.

Australia's bid for a "Tennessee Valley project" on the Snowy River, Victoria, New South Wales, which has been but a dream for water-starved areas of the South, can only be achieved by more abundant labour.

Similarly can be considered the opening up of the great meat producing territories of the North, from Wyndham, Western Australia, to North Territory and Queensland.

A wide network of roads is required to bring cattle from isolated stations to main centres and abattoirs. The first phase already drafted is for 507 roads linking Wyndham, Victoria River Depot, Hall's Creek, Mistake Creek, and Wave Hill.

A Melbourne meat market dealer affirmed to me that railways were not necessary and road transport would better meet the exigencies.

"The labour of migrants is the natural and only solution to achieve this development," he said. "Indeed it is the keynote for Australia's future, and the next five years must bring success. We are an optimistic country because we have a big share of the world's real wealth—wheat, meat and wool."

Patriots Stalin's First Victims

(Premier Attlee has described Russia as a classic example of the police state. Here, Frank Macmillian spotlights the tyranny with which Russia extends an Empire of fear.—The Editor.)

Recently, the Stalinist leaders of the oppressed countries of Eastern Europe have made two new victims. One of them is Archbishop Josef Beran, of Prague, the Catholic Primate of Czechoslovakia, now a prisoner in his police-guarded residence. The other is Laszlo Rajk, formerly Communist Minister of the Interior in Hungary, now awaiting trial for espionage for a foreign power.

The widely differing cases of these two men show that Stalin is fighting a ruthless struggle on two fronts to maintain his hegemony of terror.

It is worth while examining the personalities and records of these latest victims of the Kremlin. There are significant lessons in their stories which the Western nations must learn if freedom is to survive in Europe.

The case of Archbishop Beran is developing along the well-tried lines with which the free world is by now sickeningly familiar. Having been publicly threatened in recent months by the Communist Ministers for his denunciation of such measures as the teaching of Communism in the schools and the establishment of bogus Catholic organisations and newspapers, Archbishop Beran is now confined to his residence, his archives have been searched, his communications with his people cut off, his subordinates and many other priests arrested.

Archbishop Beran is reposted by declaring that no further compromises with the Communists are possible. Like Cardinal Mindszenty some months ago, Beran has warned Czech Catholics that they may shortly hear he has "confessed" to various charges or has disavowed his condemnation of the Government—and he has warned his people not to believe such statements.

The Archbishop has other similarities to the Cardinal. The son of a country school-teacher, Mgr. Beran was born in 1885. He was noted for his progressive ideas in matters of social reform and for that reason was regarded with some suspicion by Right-Wing Czech Catholics.

During the war, Beran, who was still an ordinary priest, was arrested by the Nazis and sent to Dachu concentration camp from September, 1942 till the Liberation in 1945.

Raised In 1946

In November, 1946, he was raised to the dignity of Archbishop of Prague, it was thought that this appointment would indicate the willingness of the Church to work peaceably with the postwar developments in Czechoslovakia.

When the Communists took over in Prague during the *Putsch* of February, 1948,—under the direct supervision of Zorin, the Soviet Deputy foreign Minister—Archbishop Beran was careful not to play any political role. In fact he was criticised for complying with the request of the new President, Klement Gottwald, that a service of thanksgiving—the Te Deum—should be celebrated in the Cathedral.

Gottwald knew that the Archbishop was popular even among Czech Communists who had been in Dachau with him. The Czech papers were careful to describe the Archbishop as a "good democrat" in those days.

But if the Communists thought they were dealing with a prelate who could by frightened, they were made to filch the religious liberties of the people, the Archbishop declared his hostility to the new measures.

Demonstrations were organised against the Archbishop in his Cathedral and now he is guarded within his house. The fates of Masaryk and Benes are sinister omens of what may happen to the new victim.

Just across the frontier — in Hungary—another prisoner awaits trial. He is Laszlo Rajk. As Minister of the Interior, he was responsible for liquidating all opposition to the Communist regime.

Rajk spent some time in Spain during the Civil War and came back to Hungary with the Russian Armies in 1945. He was in charge of the purge of the Hungarian Communist Party last year, after the Cominform had declared ideological war on Tito in Yugoslavia.

Heresy

But suddenly the rulers of Russia began to suspect that even their best-proved puppets had leanings towards the Tito heresy.

First of all, Dimitrov was removed from power. He died at the weekend in a Moscow sanatorium still "in disgrace." The notorious Anna Pauker is also suspect. Communist leaders in Albania have been liquidated.

Now Rajk of Hungary is due for trial. There is little doubt that details which have been forgiven till now—such as the Nazi records of his two brothers—will be brought out with damning effect.

For some time it was thought that the Cominform was merely clearing the decks in the countries surrounding Yugoslavia for a decisive showdown with Tito. But the arrest, disgrace and liquidation of the puppet leaders indicate that the Cominform is actually on the defensive. Rajk was in charge of the anti-Tito purge. His arrest indicates that the Kremlin is worried in case Rajk may have placed in positions a host of men who are infected with "Titoism."

The lesson of these developments for the Western nations is that Stalin is still fighting savagely against any power which stands against his tyranny. Men with great patriotic records are the first victims.

But even the puppet Communist rulers planted in power by the Red Army are now being eliminated as it appears that some sparks of patriotism and independence begin to reappear in their policies.

Stalin is experiencing the same difficulties as did Hitler after the Germany Army had overrun Europe. In the oppressed countries the seeds of resistance are beginning to appear above ground.

Stalin's Empire is as shaky—and as ferocious—as was Hitler's. That is why he is claiming more and more victims in an endeavour to stamp out the remnants of national feeling in the enslaved territories.

Two Soviet schooners left Hong Kong in the morning. Red sails in the sunrise?

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The Nationalists are still Hengyang on by the skin of their teeth.

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What Jamaica This?

Two million gallons of Cuban molasses have been sold to England for hard currency at three cents a gallon.

Sounds a bit rummy...

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"Who are these due Ponts?" asks a contemporary.

Don't know for sure, but the U.S. Attorney General seems to think they are due for a change.

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One For The Marines

Oh, Berets from over the ocean,
Berets 'come back from the sea...
You really cannot have a notion
How warm here your welcome will be!
Whatever occurs o'er the border
Means little to folk such as we
As long as we've law here, and order...
And Berets from over the Seal.

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Plane hostesses seldom are.

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So now the World Empire is all MAP-ped out for US!

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Not Like Manoeuvres

Oh, twas D-Day morn when we set sail
And we'd hardly got to sea,
When down came the Yaks
With A-bombs in their racks
And radioactivated us for free...

Then up spake the Captain of our gallant ship
(A very pretty penny cost she!)
"The Taxpayers for years
They will pay with sweat and tears
But they really cannot put the blame on me!"

Then up spake the boy of our gallant ship,
Ay, a laddie from Lunnon were he!
"I've been around the Geigers
An' they're all a-roar like tigers
So we all know what our end must be!"

So on into the West sailed the atom-frizzled ships
With their shrivelled crews a-salling o'er the sea,
For the Gammas got the fleet
Which had long been obsolete
—Except in static Naval Theorees!

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Bubbling Over?

There seems to be an unconscionable lot of rice cooking going on in these parts. Somebody may be getting his conge if it keeps up...

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Said a neighbour to Mrs. Stewart o' the Braes in the street of the village, "Did ye notice the new teacher fist go by?"

"Wiz that her in a yella hat, green dress, no stockings an' her toes and lips a' painted reid?"

"Ay wiz it," replied the friend.

"Na," said Mrs. Stewart, "I didna notice her perticklar."

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Holidays with Pay.

"Some of the girls in the office have gone away with their finances."

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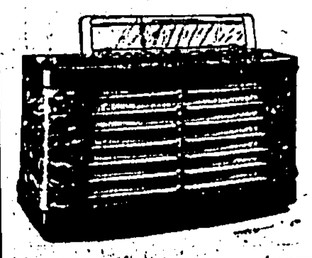

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HUGE INCREASE IN UK'S DOLLAR NEEDS

More Than Third Of Europe's Allotment

FIGURES CAUSE A STIR

Paris, July 26.

Britain's dollar needs under the Marshall Plan for 1949-50 have increased from $940, 000,000 to more than $1,500,000,000, a source close to the Economic Co-Operation Administration stated today.

This is more than a third of the total amount likely to be available to Western Europe for the second year of the Recovery Programme.

Britain, allocated $1,239,000,000 in the first year of the programme, received substantially more than any other participant and about one-quarter of all the funds voted by Congress.

Her needs for 1949-50 are said to have caused a stir among other nations which stand to lose in the proportional share-out.

The total which will be available is not known, but it is expected to be $1,000,000,000 less than last year.

Britain put her dollar needs at $940,000,000 in her original 1949-50 programme reject to the European Economic Co-Operation Administration last year.

In a revised memorandum to the OEEC in May, Britain asked for $1,114,000,000, and in a further memorandum last week-end she raised her bid to $1,500,000,000.

"We told the OEEC when our earlier programme was examined at the beginning of July that we would be putting in the revised memorandum," an official of the British delegation to the OEEC said today.

Fewer Free Dollars

"Sir Stafford Cripps has already explained the change in our situation to the British public.

"We only buy part of the dollar goods needed for recovery with Marshall Aid.

"We buy part with dollars earned by exports to the United States We also paid for them to some extent last year out of reserves."

(Sir Stafford, who is Britain's Chancellor of the Exchequer, told Parliament earlier this month that the Sterling Area gold and dollar reserves had fallen from £471,000,000 to £406,000,000 in three months—nearly £130,000,000 below the safety level previously considered necessary during the Marshall Aid period)

"As a result of this we have fewer free dollars to spend," the British official added.

No Increase In Dollar Goods

"The figure of $1,500,000,000 is an indication of the deficit which, if fully recovered by Marshal Aid, would enable us to go on buying at the rate required for recovery purposes."

It is stressed, however, that the new figure does not involve any increase in the volume of dollar goods estimated in Britain's original 1949-50 programme report.

Referring to Sir Stafford's recent announcement of a 25 per cent cut in Britain's 1949-50 dollar imports the British official said: "Steps taken in Britain are provisional.

"We do not consider this to be a long-term cut in our programme and it is emphasised that we do not want to make a new programme involving cuts over a period of years until we see how we stand.

"The British Government is only making temporary cuts and the effects of these cuts are not taken into account in our latest dollar bid."

Washington Talks

The official said that the coming Washington talks between Sir Stafford and the United States Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John W. Snyder, will have the most important bearing on Britain's long-term economic policy.

Meanwhile, the memorandum containing Britain's bid for more dollars was exmained on an "essentiality" basis by the OEEC's Programmes Commitee this week.

A Working Party of the Committee is now "screening" the British bid and the bids of 15 other Western European nations. (Switzerland and Portugal, although participants in the European Recovery Programme, have not drawn any dollar aid).

When this is finished the Programme Committee will recommend to the OEEC Council—the highest administrative body of the Organisation—how aid should be divided.

Once this division is approved no material changes by the Economic Co-Operation Administration are anticipated.—Reuter.

Frankurt, July 26.

Dr. Christian Stock, Premier of Greater Hesse, has commuted to life imprisonment the death sentences passed on three doctors for participation in Hitler's euthanasia (mercy killing) programme at Kalmenhof Sanatorium, the German news agency, DENA, reported today.—Reuter.

QUIRINO GOING TO U.S.

Manila, July 27.

President Quirino is to make a brief flying trip to Manchuria late this week, and it is generally believed he will go to the United States a few days after his return to Manila.

The President said he will emplane for Davao as soon as the weather has cleared and a Malacanan spokesman said he will probably leave on Friday.

Mr. Quirino is expected to be back in Manila in time to fulfil a speaking engagement on Sunday. After Sunday, the spokesman indicated, the date of the President's departure for Washington might be fixed.

The President will visit Davao and possibly two other cities in Mindanao. It is believed he will get data on economic conditions there and at the same time do a little political stumping.

President Quirino told newsmen he heard he would be invited to visit Washington, but that he has not yet received a formal invitation. He declined to discuss Pacific Union plans.—United Press.

New Cabinet Set Up In Cairo

Alexandria, July 26.

Hussein Sirry Pasha, Egyptian Independent elder statesman, tonight formed a caretaker Coalition Cabinet to hold office until elections are held later this year.

At the express wish of King Farouk, the new Cabinet comprises Saadists, Wafdists, Liberals, Nationalists and Independents, to "alleviate the present tension among the parties and prepare the way for free and healthy elections".

The King asked Sirry Pasha to form a new Cabinet after the resignation of the Prime Minister, Abdul Hadi Pasha, yesterday.

In a decree issued earlier today, King Farouk said that the new Government is to be a caretaker Government until the general elections later this year.

The new Premier told a reporter tonight: "The sole object of the new Cabinet is to see that elections are carried out without any complaints from the parties concerned—free and unfettered.

"Martial law will be kept in force until a Royal rescript decree the election day.

"From that day until the conclusion of the elections, martial law will be totally suspended."

Sirry Pasha's new Cabinet is made up as follows:

Hussein Sirry Pasha (Independent), Prime Minister, Minister of the Interior, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Ahmed Khashaba Pasha (Liberal) Minister of Justice.

Ibrahim Dessouri Abaza Pasha (Liberal) Minister of Wakfs (Religious Foundations)

Ahmed Allwem Bey (Liberal) Minister of State.

Ahmed Abdul Ghaffar Pasha (Liberal) Minister of Agriculture.

Hussein Yahny Bey (Independent) Finance Minister.

Dr. Mohamed Hashem (Independent) Minister of State.

Ferik (Field-Marshal) Mohamed Hridar Pasha (Independent) Minister of Defence.

Mustren Mares Bey (Independent) Minister of State.

Fard Durhal El Dine (Wafdist) Minister of Communications.

Osman Moharram Pasha (Wafdist) Minister of Public Works.

Mustafa Mosart Pasha (Wafdist) Minister of Commerce and Industry.

Mohamed El Wakil Bey (Wafdist) Minister of State.

Muhhi Badr Bey (Saadist) Minister of Education.

Mahmud Gahler Pasha (Saadist) Minister of State.

Naguib Ibnander Pasha (Saadist) Minister of Public Health.

Aly Ayoub Bey (Saadist) Minister of Social Affairs.

Mohamed Zaki Aly Pasha (Nationalist) Minister of State.

Abdul Rahman Rafai Bey (Nationalist) Minister of Supply.—Reuter.

Equipment For HK Garrison Held Up

London, July 26.

The London Dock strike delayed some shipments of heavy equipment to Hong Kong by as much as three weeks, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, the War Minister, told Parliament today.

Nevertheless, the large bulk of this equipment should be in Hong Kong within two and a half weeks of the arrival of the units to which it belongs, he added.—Reuter.

VITAL MEETINGS ON JAVA

Jogjakarta, July 26.

Republican, Dutch and United Nations delegates, assisted by their military advisers, today began discussions here on a cease-fire agreement for Indonesia.

While all parties were agreed on the need for a cease-fire as soon as possible, so that machinery might be set in motion for The Hague round-table conference, there was no indication today how soon the discussions would end.

All three members of the United Nations Commission for Indonesia, Mr. Merle Cochran, Mr. Thomas Chritchley and Mr. Raymond Herremens, who arrived two days ago, are staying in the Republican capital and taking part in the talks.

Dr. Jan Van Royen, who is personally leading the Dutch side, is also staying in the Republican capital.

It is understood that while agreement has been reached that the Dutch and Republican forces respectively should be made responsible for the security and order of the areas under their control, details of how this can be worked out are still being hammered out.

Some form of joint organisation of the Dutch and the Republicans, with the assistance of the United Nations Commission, may be set up to ensure this, possibly with local committees in various areas.

If this is finally agreed, observers doubt whether the present number of 40 United Nations observers will be sufficient.

Meanwhile, the inter-Indonesian conference is due to resume on July 30 in Batavia, after which the Indonesian delegates are to leave for Holland on August 5 or 6.—Reuter.

FRENCH CRISIS

Paris, July 26.

The French Prime Minister, M. Henri Queuille, will hold a special Cabinet meeting tonight to discuss the political crisis resulting from the Labour Minister, M. Daniel Mayer's approval of an agreement giving a holiday bonus and other advantages to social insurance workers.

M. Mayer gave his approval without consulting his colleagues. M. Queuille held talks throughout today in an effort to avoid resignations by Ministers who disapprove of M. Mayer's action.—Reuter.

Berlin, July 26.

Berliners, who kept about 200,000 dogs before the war, now own about 50,000, an increase of 20,000 on the figure immediately after the war.—Reuter.

TARANCON SHAMBLES

Town Wrecked By Ammo Explosion

Tarancon (near Madrid), July 26.

Thirty are dead here tonight and 60 are in hospital as a result of the powder magazine explosion which early this morning hurled tons of rocks and earth for more than a mile through the air.

Great rocks weighing more than 400 pounds came crashing down on the fragile houses of this little town, shattering them and leaving gaping holes in the roofs of others.

The whole of a small hill which covered the magazine has disappeared in the blast of about 200 tons of high explosive shells, which belonged to the Spanish Army.

For a great distance around, no sign of vegetation remains.

Late today, troops are clearing the streets and distributing water and lorry-loads of bread.

The whole of the town of Tarancon, with its 7,000 inhabitants, looks again as it did after suffering heavy bombing during the civil war. Reconstruction work had only recently been finished.

The sergeant in charge of the magazine, who was not there when it went up, gave himself up to the police later in the day at an Army post 10 miles away.

He said that he feared he would be lynched.

Celebration Saved Them

The Sergeant was taken to the Madrid headquarters of the military region on the direct orders of Captain General Agustin Munoz Grandes, who is personally directing rescue work.

Only two soldiers were killed because the remainder, with the Sergeant, were celebrating the Festival of Santiago in the town when the explosion occurred, the authorities said.

The most gravely injured were taken to Madrid hospitals.

Tarancon's Mayor said the casualties would have been much worse, but many of the inhabitants of the district around the scene were in the centre of the town attending the Santiago festivities.

Several score of people are homeless and are being housed in the local social welfare building. The actual cause of the disaster is still unknown.

Military officials said that owing to the "imprudence" of the guards the explosion interrupted the town's telephone and telegraph services with the outside world. The service was restored early this afternoon.—Reuter and Associated Press.

RUSSIAN CHARGES DENIED

Berlin, July 26.

The British authorities in Berlin today denied Soviet charges that the Western Powers are interfering with the development of inter-zonal trade.

The charges were made yesterday in a letter from the Soviet Deputy Military Governor, Lieutenant-General Mihail Dratvin, to his British opposite number, Major-General G. K. McLean.

Major-General McLean today answered Lieutenant-General Dratvin's letter, denying that the Western Powers are imposing any restrictions.

A British spokesman said: "The value of inter-zonal trade is now higher, even without making allowance for the increased value of the Mark, than it was in the old trade agreement of 1948.

"No restrictions are envisaged by the Western Allies, and trade is in fact being carried on a substantial scale."

In his letter Lieutenant-General Dratvin charged that 30,000 tons of manganese ore and other goods, the property of the Soviet Union, are being illegally withheld in the British zone.

The British spokesman said: "It is a fact that delivering of the manganese ore referred to by General Dratvin began soon after the blockade, and it is now continuing."—Reuter.

Ecuador Revolt Quelled

Quito, Ecuador, July 26.

A revolt against President Galo Lassos' Government, opening with an attack by about 50 men in civilian clothes on the unguarded Presidential Palace, was quickly broken today.

Both the President and the Vice-President, Dr. Manuel Sotomayer Luna were in the Palace, but before the rebels could take possession, Presidential supporters arrived and overpowered them.

While the Palace was being attacked, Colonel Cardos Mancheno, former dictator of Ecuador, is reported to have tried to persuade an Army tank unit to join the revolt, but other Army forces intervened.

Some of the rebels were taken prisoner.

In 1947, Colonel Mancheno overthrew the Government of President Velasco Ibarra, but was forced to flee the capital when forces loyal to the President re-marshalled and counter-attacked.—Reuter.

UP IN THE AIR ABOUT IT

Revere, Massachusetts, July 26.

Pretty Mrs. Jean Ellis, aged 24, today completed her second week on top of a swaying 50-foot pole, where she is perched in protest against the housing shortage.—United Press.

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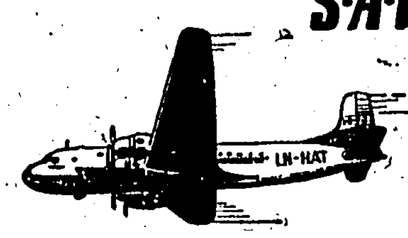

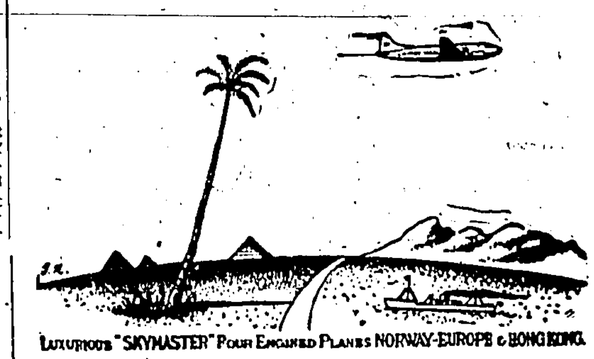

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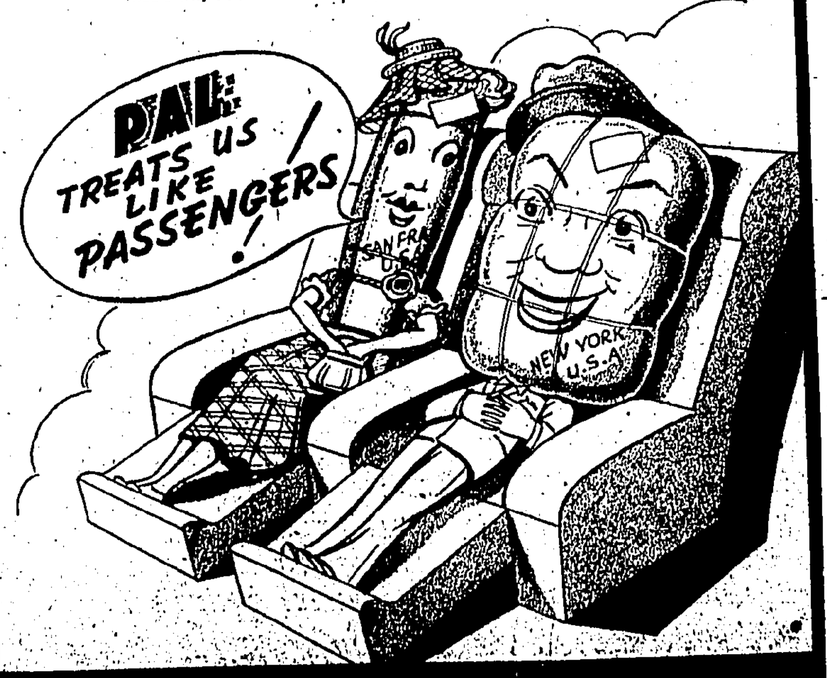

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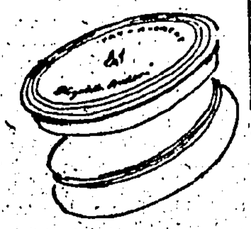

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Lights For Instrument Landing

The instrument landing runway at London Airport, Heathrow, has been equipped with an approachway of GEC of England low intensity approach lights.

These lights, which are arranged for pole top mounting, have their light distribution in the form of a narrow beam four degrees above the horizontal and showing through 360 degrees in azimuth. Thus the approachway is visible to an aircraft approaching from any direction and to aircraft on the circuit.

The GEC has also supplied the high intensity runway lights which have been specially developed as part of a high intensity visual landing scheme that will eventually keep the airport in operation even if visibility drops to 200 yards by day or 100 yards at night.

The lights are recessed into the runway. Having a projection of only two inches above ground level, and a smooth contour, the fittings present no obstacle to aircraft, while the design is such that stresses on the domed cast iron top due to aircraft running over them are not transmitted through the glass ring through which the beams are omitted.

Produces Beam

A special arrangement of the optical system and reflectors produces a beam in each direction along the runway with a maximum intensity of more than 5,000 candlepower. The distribution of intensity is such that the maximum assistance is given to the pilot, while the light emitted in directions away from the approaching aircraft is limited, in order to avoid halo effects in foggy weather.

Threshold lights, at each end of the runway, are special versions of the runway light with the addition of colour screens.

The GEC has also supplied the taxiway lights for the numerous routes that aircraft follow from the apron to the runways and dispersal areas. These lights have their distribution concentrated into a narrow beam a few degrees above the horizontal, and their visibility in azimuth can be limited through any number of degrees to suit their particular location.

Colour filters can be fitted inside the lights, and those at London Airport are equipped with blue filters.

Producing Artificial Board

For many years artificial board ("man-made lumber") a waste material such as sawdust bonded with resin, has been used all over the world increasingly in vast quantities for all sorts of building and industrial purposes. One of the severe handicaps in production has been the expense of heavy presses and the fact that it could only be pressed out within certain sizes. Photo shows the apparatus at the plant at the Research Centre of the British Artificial Resin Co. for producing the radio high frequency waves, used in the process of converting the sawdust and resin into a hard-board, which is suitable for many purposes.

Australian Veneer Machines

By CHARLES LYNCH

Increasing demands by the home-building and furniture trades in Australia for plywood have created serious problems in plant extension for local sawmillers.

Veneer machines which perform the work of cutting the plywood strip from the mountain trees have in the past been imported into Australia, usually from the United States of America and from Germany.

The currency position has recently presented difficulties to mill owners, apart from the time factor involved, with the increasing necessity for the speedy installation of new machinery.

The first Australian veneer machines have now been made at Richmond, Victoria, by J. A. Castree, engineer of Burnley Street, Richmond, and have responded to tests. They are regarded as being generally capable of meeting the requirements of Australian sawmills.

Many of the mills cut pine wood for the special purpose of the trade. The sturdy Australian mountain ash is another species whose plywood is considered a commercial possibility.

Own Design

Before being cut by the machine the logs are heated, and the wood is peeled off in a continuous strip. Mr. Castree built his machines to his own design, and casts were made from his own patterns, and general construction principles were based upon the design of a sturdy, serviceable type of unit which could accommodate the various types of logs.

A machine recently completed for the Ellarish Mills near Tully, in the State of Queensland, is typical of the designs produced. Its two gear wheels are each three feet in diameter, and contain 104 teeth in each.

The machine can cut to a quarter of an inch and also to 1/20, 1/16 and one-eighth of an inch, and can take logs up to three feet in diameter, and with lengths up to three feet.

The factory workshop is also engaged on a large unit for a Queensland mill, and it seems likely that now that an Australian factory can turn out these machines, local mills will find it cheaper and quicker to place their orders locally.

Australia's general imports of motive-powered machinery were valued at £A10,140,000 for the year 1944-1945.

That the plywood industry itself will expand seems most likely, as important research upon the suitability of types of local timbers for the wood have been carried out by the Forest Products Division of the Australian Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, Melbourne, Victoria. The Division uses a veneer lathe of American manufacture.

In the State of South Australia excellent ply has been produced from the pinus radiata in recent years.

Other local timbers investigated and in use are mainly hoop pine, and the special purpose timbers, the Queensland maple and walnut, used mainly for furniture.

New Technique For Precision Casting

By the introduction of a new technique the Birmingham Small Arms Company, Birmingham, in the English Midlands, have succeded in making precision casting a commercial competitor to older methods of the production of engineering components in low-priced constructional steels.

Even small mechanical parts can be turned out at a cost lower than by normal methods, and it is known that many types of surgical instruments can be made at a surprisingly low price. Many other things have also been made by precision casting from nutcrackers to small tools and golf club-heads.

Precision casting is an expensive job and in Britain it has been chiefly applied to austenitic steels and other alloys in respect of gas turbine engines, a military necessity which took little account of cost.

The chief problem, solved by the Birmingham firm, has been to make precision casting cheap enough to give promise that it can replace existing processes, such as machining.

By the designing of special dies and strict control of all processes, 70 per cent of machining has already been eliminated. The aim has been to replace complicated machining processes by precision casting while leaving the simpler and cheaper ones, such as boring holes and grinding flat surfaces to the machinist.

The dies used for the new casting process, made of rubber, plastic, or low-melting-point alloy, but generally of steel, cost up to £1,400 for some parts. New machines, specially designed for the new process, inject the wax into the dies in the molten state applying a double pressure system which can rise up to more than 1,000 pounds a square inch.

This force is necessary to ensure that the wax fills the mould completely and reduces subsequent shrinkage to a minimum. When the moulds have been formed they are dried at a temperature high enough to melt the wax by which process it is reclaimed. The moulds are then strengthened by baking them for four hours in a gas-fired tunnel oven in which the temperature ranges from 200-1,000 degrees Centigrade.

New Paint Will Save Ship's Steel

Special treatment with anti-corrosive paints, evolved by the British Iron and Steel Research Association, is expected to result in a saving of steel and will obviate the present need for almost continuous painting of ships, bridges and other steel structures.

A paint, known as "No. 173" has been successfully applied to the under-water parts of ships. Results so far obtained show promise of prolonging the life of ships, a saving in the amount of steel used in ship construction and a reduction in fuel consumption.

Another important development in the prevention of metal corrosion was reported recently by the Chemical Research Laboratory, of Britain's Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. The dipping of metal articles simply into a mixture containing rubber latex and sodium benzoate at ordinary room temperatures, produces a protective coating which has good mechanical properties combined with that of corrosion prevention. Large articles can be sprayed with equally good results.

Another application of recent scientific research comes in the form of "Avigel" plastic peel, introduced by Clear Glass Products, Ltd., 16-18, Malvern Road, Southampton, Hampshire, England.

This material is intended for exporters of such items as motor-car spare parts, agricultural, aircraft, marine and railway machinery, tools, engines and gears—and particularly where such equipment has to be protected on transports under tropical or arctic conditions. The new material is a plastic composition which can be used by dipping without any special equipment.

It forms a tough resilient coating which can easily be stripped off and leaves a slight film of oil on the metal. Being transparent, it enables identification markings to be seen. Once stripped off the material can be reused by returning it to the boiler. It can be melted in any suitable container at a temperature of about 170 degrees Centigrade.

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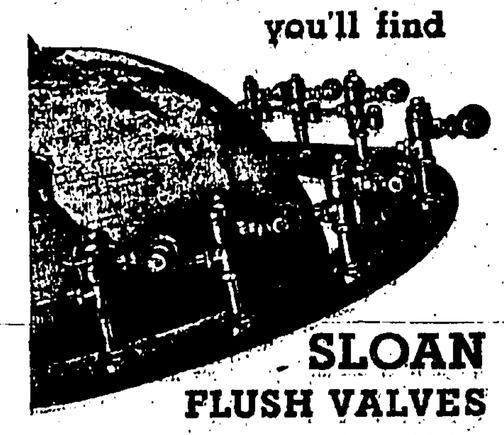

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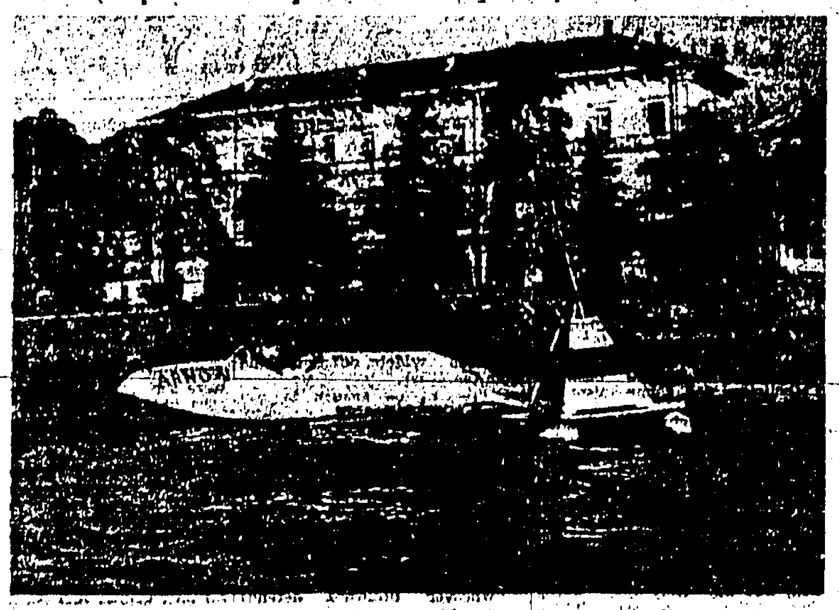

The Italian Achille Castoldi, broke the world motor-boat speed record on Lake Maggiore with a speed of 94.4 miles an hour. Previous best for his class of boat—450 kilograms—was 86.57 miles an hour. Castoldi drove an American "Three points" class boat with a 1,500 CCM Alfa Romeo Engine. Photo shows Castoldi driving his boat 'Arno V" in a trial race for the Italian National Speedboat Championship, on Lake Maggiore. He came second to Alfonso Gabbardi.

U.S. SHOULD BUY MORE ABROAD, SAYS BARUCH

New York, July 26.

Mr. Bernard Baruch said today, on his return from a month in Europe, that the United States should buy more of the world's products with its money instead of lending it to foreign governments.

Commenting on Britain's financial difficulties, Mr. Baruch said: "One thing I noticed about them is that they are spending too much of their time on nationalisation and not devoting their energies to production and developing their country."

The older statesman, declaring he feels fine and appearing in the pink of health, spent an hour with reporters and photographers as the Queen Mary docked. He said:

1. The world's monetary condition needs re-adjusting.

2. The U.S. Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John Snyder, created a very favourable impression everywhere he went on his recent European visit.

"Britain has got to get rid of £3,500,000,000 frozen sterling which her creditors, like India, Egypt and the British Commonwealth generally, are using to buy goods in England, for which she doesn't get anything fresh," he said.

He added that these huge frozen credits should have been cancelled long ago as a contribution to the common cause.

World Hoarding

Commenting on production in England, Mr. Baruch said Mr. Winston Churchill saw him off on the boat train at midnight and handed him a package of eggs with the statement: "The chickens haven't forgotten how to lay eggs over here."

The entire world is hoarding dollars, Mr. Baruch said.

In an effort to encourage free flow of trade, the United States ought to be prepared to buy non-perishable products at commercial prices, which would be more practical than advancing money to backward areas.

Asked if Europe would help herself more if the United States helped her less, he replied: "There's a heap of truth in that."

Mr. Baruch said Europe's greatest need is for an economic and defence union.

"Until this has been made a reality, their difficulties are going to be great. Europe is like a bundle of sticks. Unite them and you can't break them apart. Separate them and they will be broken one by one."

No Swing To Left In U.S.

He praised Mr. Snyder for the favourable impression he made on European leaders during his recent visit.

"He just listened and laid low. I don't think he made any promise."

Mr. Baruch scoffed at a suggestion that a depression might turn the United States to the Left.

"No nation has voluntarily adopted Communism," he stated. "It is far removed from the thoughts of Americans. If we lose some money and have a little slump, we'll tighten our belts."

Mr. Baruch said he is going to Saratoga Springs, New York, for a few days and then to Canada to fish with friends.—United Press.

Unemployed Demonstrate In Tel Aviv

Tel Aviv, July 26.

Five policemen and five demonstrators were wounded today when a Communist-led demonstration of unemployed, more than 100-strong, tried to force its way into the Israeli Parliament.

The police drew their truncheons to disperse an unruly crowd which cluttered up the main entrance to the Parliament building. There were short but lively skirmishes between the police and demonstrators.

Opening the session of Parliament this afternoon, the Speaker denounced the demonstrators who, he said, had violated the sanctity of Israel's highest tribunal. He added that the House should remain the symbol of peace.—Reuter.

Rationing Disappears In Italy

Rome, July 26.

The last relic of food shortage in Italy—bread rationing cards—will disappear on August 1, the Government decided today.

Thrown in the waste basket with the bread cards will be ration tickets for rice, wheat paste, flour and related products.

Normal grain supplies and a good wheat harvest have eased the once critical situation, the Cabinet disclosed.

Bread and pasta ration coupons have not been widely used for several months. Plentiful free market supplies were priced at about the legal rate.

The price of grain delivered at the mills will continue to be fixed by the Inter-ministerial Price Committee.—Associated Press.

RACIAL RIOT IN CHICAGO

Chicago, July 26.

Fifty policemen dispersed a crowd of 1,000 and arrested one white man last night after a Negro family moved into its newly purchased house in a "white" neighbourhood here.

Rocks and flaming oil flares were thrown during the disturbance. A jar of petrol exploded on the lawn of the house. The crowd thinned out later but 40 policemen remained on guard.—Reuter.

WINSTON FORGOT CIGARS

Gardone, July 26.

Winston Churchill forgot his cigars on a sightseeing motor trip today and worried hotel attendants sent a special car speeding to the rescue.

The car carried a box full of long Havanas.

There was no word whether the cigars had caught up with Mr. Churchill, who had set out earlier to visit nearby Maderno and Toscolano, both beauty spots in the Lake Gardone region of North Italy.

Mr. Churchill arrived here on Thursday by plane from London to begin a month's holiday in Italy.

Shortly before 5 p.m. another hotel car was sent to nearby Desonzano to await the arrival of Mrs. Churchill by train from London.

Mr. Churchill has asked that he be permitted to enjoy his holiday in as much privacy as possible. He appealed to reporters to respect this request and declined to give any interviews.

Mrs. Churchill arrived by car at the Grand Hotel a few minutes before the former Prime Minister returned from his drive in the wooded hills around Gardone. The two appeared on the balcony together, Mr. Churchill pointing out the beauties of the scene.

He left soon, however, apparently annoyed by a crowd of photographers below. Mrs. Churchill smiling, remained on the balcony.

Police today took strict measures against photographers, even prohibiting other hotel clients from taking pictures of Mr. Churchill in the hotel bathing pool.

During his drive Mr. Churchill looked about for good painting scenes after visiting a church at Premosine.—Associated Press.

PRIVY COUNCIL'S BLOW TO NATIONALISATION

Sydney, July 26.

The decision of the Privy Council in declaring the Australian Banking Act unconstitutional was received with jubilation today by Opposition spokesmen and banking authorities.

The Australian Government took to the Privy Council an appeal against the invalidation by the Australian High Court of the Australian Bank Nationalisation Act. Dr. H. V. Evatt, the Australian Attorney General, spoke for 22 days before the Privy Council in the 36-day appeal.

Great public interest had centred in the appeal, because the Government's nationalisation proposal was unpopular with a large section of the voters.

Some opposition leaders who expressed pleasure at the result of the appeal issued a warning that the Privy Council's decision does not mean that the last word has been spoken on banking.

In Adelaide, the Opposition leader, Robert G. Menzies, said: "Do not assume for one moment that because this piece of legislation is knocked out it is impossible to draft another piece of legislation that will do the trick."

Canberra political circles said the decision was not only a blow to the Australian Government's plans for gaining control of Australian banking, but also was a most serious setback to Labour's Socialisation programme. However, circles close to Mr. J. B. Chifley, the Prime Minister, said that he will never, as long as he is in power, abandon his fixed purpose of bringing banking under Government control.

Vital Elections

Dr. Evatt said in Canberra: "We are naturally disappointed with the result." He indicated that nothing further can be done until the reasons for the Privy Council's decision are known.

Bankers said tonight that next election will be the most important in the history of Australia for nationalisation will be the crucial issue.

Most Australian morning papers described the Privy Council's decision as a victory for free enterprise which the great majority of Australians would welcome.

Sydney's "Daily Telegraph" said the decision clearly indicates that, if the Commonwealth attempts to nationalise any major industries, it will be going beyond its legal powers.

The newspaper said the decision puts a severe check—perhaps bring to a complete halt—the Australian Government's march towards Socialism.

In London, a press spokesman for the British Prime Minister's office said that the decision will have no effect whatsoever on any nationalisation acts of the British Government or measures of that nature now pending.

"We do not have anything to do with it," the spokesman said.

No Now Move

He said that Australia, under the special nature of its constitution, chose to avail itself of the appellate power of the King's Privy Council.

The Australian High Commissioner's office in London declined to comment on the decision. A source close to the Commissioner's office said it is considered unlikely that the Australian Government will do anything immediately, but will wait for the results of the national elections in the last week of November or the first week of December.

This source said it is expected that the Privy Council will give its reasons for the decision about October 1.

The Acting Australian Commissioner, Norman R. Mighell, cabled the result of the decision to Mr. Chifley and Dr. Evatt. The resident Commissioner, John A. Beasley, is in Melbourne on leave and is not expected back in London until September.—Associated Press.

PRICE DECLINE IN JAPAN

Tokyo, July 27.

Both wages and prices in Japan are declining, figures issued today disclosed.

Men and women industrial wage earners received four per cent less in May than in April, the Japanese Labour Ministry announced. The decline was attributed in part to strikes, with mining industry workers suffering the biggest cut 13.1 per cent. Utilities, commerce and traffic workers received slight increases, but work interruptions brought down the general average.

The Bank of Japan issued figures on Tokyo's retail price index, showing a 3.0 per cent decrease during June from the preceding month.

Among items showing greatest declines were unions with a drop of 51.2 per cent; salter salmon off 48.3 per cent; meisen type silk, off 37 per cent.

Items showing sharp price increases despite the general decline were lotus roots, up 62.2 per cent; city water charges, up 30 per cent and macaroni, up 11.3 per cent.—Associated Press.

WORLD'S LARGEST LIGHT BULB

New York, July 26.

The world's largest light bulb, generating enough heat to ignite a newspaper six feet away, will be turned on in Times Square tonight for a film premiere.

The incandescent bulb is 54 inches high and 20 inches in diameter. It uses 50,000 watts of electricity, enough to run 250 washing machines.—United Press.

Catholic-Israeli Commission Formed

Jerusalem, July 26.

A joint Catholic-Israeli Commission is to begin an investigation in Jerusalem on Wednesday into war damage suffered by the Dormition Abbey on Mount Zion.

The massive Dormition Abbey is one of the outstanding sights on Jerusalem's skyline on top of Mount Zion, just outside the South Western corner of the old city walls.

Holes torn by shells in the roof are clearly visible from a distance.

Israeli representatives on the committee named today are two liaison officers of the Ministry of Religious Affairs, with a Public Works Department engineer as technical supervisor.

Catholic members include two Americans, Franciscan Father Terrence Kuehn, Roman Catholic Vicar-General for Southern Israel, and the Reverend Leo Rudolf, Inspector of Benedictine Monasteries.

Other members are the Reverend Benedict Stolz, Prior of the Dormitian Abbey, Frere Jordan Stiefeld of the Benedictine Order and Herman Hiters, adviser on architecture.

The Commission will visit the Benedictine Church of Dormition, which was an Israeli Army front line position on Mount Zion for many months, to assess damage done by troops.

As soon as some rooms in the Abbey are repaired, they will be returned to the Franciscans to whom the Israeli Army has also vacated the Franciscan convent near David's Tomb, but not the actual Cenaculum, which belongs to the Moslems.

The Cenaculum was where the Last Supper was celebrated. It was in the possession of the Franciscans until the 16th Century, when it passed into the hands of the Moslems.—Associated Press.

GOOD NEWS FOR NAZIS' VICTIMS

Berlin, July 26.

The three Western Commandants of Berlin today promulgated an order providing for the restitution of confiscated property to victims of the Nazi regime.

The order applies to all identifiable property situated in the three Western sectors of Berlin, which had a value of at least 1,000 Reichmarks at the time of confiscation.

Claims arising from war damage are claims for damage of a personal nature and not covered by the new legislation.

More than 14,000 claims for the restitution of property stolen by the Nazis have already been received in Berlin from applicants living outside the Western Sectors.

QANTAS ROUTE TO AFRICA

The Hague, July 26.

Australia's Qantas Airlines have decided to open a route from Australia to Johannesburg via Mauritius following the favourable results the Dutch KLM Airline experienced when it had to fly the Batavia-Amsterdam service via this British Island, a spokesman of the KLM said today.

The KLM had to include this long hop over the Indian Ocean in its Amsterdam-Batavia air route after Pakistan and India banned Dutch planes following the second "police action" in Indonesia.

KLM's tentative plans to open a similar line from Indonesia to South Africa are for the time blocked by an inadequate number of planes, the spokesman added.—Associated Press.

Agreement Reached In Berlin

Berlin, July 26.

Agreement on future four-Power consultations by the Occupation Authorities in Germany was reached at a 60-minute meeting here today of the four Deputy Military Governors.

Future consultations will be held at top levels by the Military Governors or their deputies and at lower levels by the four Commandants in Berlin and by economic experts.

The four Deputy Governors, who met in the Allied Control Authority Building in the American sector, also reached full agreement on proposals for improving economic co-operation between East and West Germany, drawn up recently by the four-Power economic experts, a British spokesman stated.

The experts will meet in the near future to continue their discussions, the spokesman added.—Reuter.

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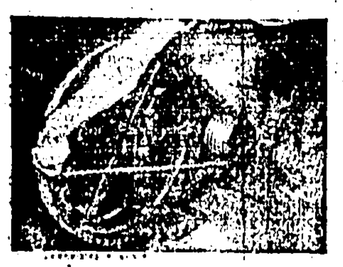

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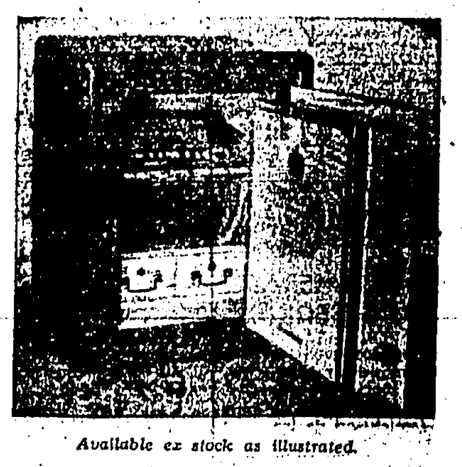

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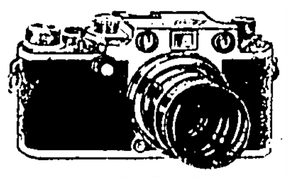

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Malaya Test Centre For Medical Cures Remarkable Success

London, July 26.

Malaya is an important testing ground where remarkable medical discoveries have been made recently and the most ambitious experiments in fish culture are about to begin, a Colonial Office report said today.

The facts were given in the annual report of the Colonial Research Council, which was submitted to the Secretary of State for the Colonies by Mr. David Rees-Williams, Chairman of the Council.

Mr. Rees-Williams told correspondents tonight that the discovery at the Institute for Medical Research at Kuala Lumpur of a cure for scrub typhus was "one of the most successful pieces of research we have done in the last few years."

It was the result of effective collaboration between American and British scientists, he said.

The report said that scrub-typhus caused 25,000 casualties among British and American troops during the Japanese war and it remained a menace to the forces remaining in the Far East on garrison duties and today's planting community in Malaya and elsewhere.

Hitherto, patients suffered 15 days or more of fever, and there was a liability to grave complications affecting the lungs and nervous systems. Death might occur from the 12th day onwards.

The British Government sent a team of three scientists to Kuala Lumpur after the war and in March, 1948, a United States Army research unit of five flew in by special plane, with two tons of equipment and the world's supply—one pound—of Chloromycetin, which is a barely known drug just discovered.

Infallible Cure

Within 24 hours of arrival, the American team began treating three cases of scrub typhus and, two days later, the three had normal temperatures. Toxicity had vanished and convalescence was well on the way.

Dr. R. Lewthwaite, the British Director of the Institute for Medical Research at the time of the experiment, told correspondents tonight that 90 cases of scrub-typhus had now been treated and had all been cured.

Chloromycetin, he asserted, is an infallible cure, so much so that it had been possible for research purposes deliberately to expose groups of human volunteers in known infected areas.

It is equally effective, he said, against louse-borne typhus, the the "classical" devastating form of typhus.

In July, 1948, the drug was first prepared by chemical synthesis and the results were equally satisfactory. The drug is now being produced commercially in the United States and a production plant near London is about to be opened.

Malaya had stepped in quickly and obtained priority for $50,000 (Malayan) worth of the drug, each year for five years.

Chloromycetin has also been used successfully against typhoid fever and gonorrhoeal urethritis.

The report disclosed that £252,000 has been granted for the establishment of an Institute for Research and Training in Fish Farming on Penang Island and £135,000 for the construction of a fisheries research station at Hong Kong.

Serving The Empire

The Penang Institute will serve the entire Colonial Empire and will be the first attempt at fish farming of this type and on this scale ever made.

The report spoke of the 3,000 years' experience of the Far East in the artificial rearing of fish in ponds, stated that yields of fish obtained by this means are far higher than those from natural fisheries, and referred to "the possibility of raising domestic strains of fish which might prove as superior to wild fish as domestic cattle are to wild cattle."

Other grants made include one of £7,021 for a two-year sociological research in Singapore.

The colonial research programme ranges from studies of African witchcraft, in which anthropologists and sociologists will co-operate, to the preventive treatment of malaria and tuberculosis.

Research grants have been approved for 125 separate projects, the report added.—Reuter.

Giant New Flyingboat For Britain

Cowes, July 26.

A 10-engined, 140-ton British flyingboat, which its makers claim is the biggest in the world, was unveiled at Cowes today.

The craft is designed to carry 105 passengers non-stop from London to New York. It has a ceiling of seven miles, a range of 5,500 miles and a cruising speed of 380 miles an hour.

British Overseas Airways Corporation placed the order for the huge boat with Saunders Roe Limited three years ago. It is expected to fly in about 18 months.

Two sister ships of the same type, known as the Princess class, are under construction for BOAC.

The vast hull was moved part of the way out of the hanger today for a preview by newsmen and photographers.

The all-metal craft has a wing span of 216½ feet. The top of the rudder is 55 feet from the ground and the fusilage is 140 feet long. Associated Press.

Hyderabad Leader To Be Tried

Hyderabad City, July 26.

Syed Kasim Razvi, once virtual dictator of Hyderbad State, will go on trial here tomorrow on a murder charge before a three member special tribunal named by the Military Government of the State.

The bearded 47-year-old Moslem, who sprang into the limelight of Indian politics as the head of the 20,000-strong Hyderabad Razarkars (militant Moslem army) two years ago, will face a charge of murder of a Hyderabad Moslem editor. This was before the Indian police action against Hyderabad.

Indian intervention in Hyderabad followed alleged terrorist activities by the Razarkars.

Razvi, who was an obscure lawyer before beginning his career in Hyderabad State, was captured by the Indian forces He has been in detention for 10 months and was taken seriously ill twice during the period.

On one occasion, he was successfully operated upon for appendicitis.

The Hyderabad Government has given Razvi full defence facilities.—Reuter.

JAP MACHINES FOR INDIA

New Delhi, July 26.

The Government said tonight that six Japanese technicians and machinery for light industries will arrive in India next month.

The technicians will include the President of the Toy Makers' Association of Tokyo. Arrangements for their visit were made by a two-man Indian mission which recently spent two months in Japan.

The Government said India is setting up a central technical institute whose task it will be to popularise some facories.—Associated Press.

VIENNA TRAGEDY

Vienna, July 26.

An American soldier shot and wounded an Austrian girl and then killed himself today after he had found her with another soldier, the United States authorities announced.

The name of the soldier was withheld.—Reuter.

Russians Hold Own Consul In Custody

Teheran, July 26.

Petrovitch Gelda, former Soviet vice-consul at Kermanshah in North Western Iran, is reported to be held in custody at the Russian Embassy here because of his refusal to return to Russia.

Mr. Gelda was ordered home after the Iranian Government ordered the closing of all Soviet consulates in the country but refused to go.

Diplomats here regard his position as similar to that of Mrs. Oksana Kasenkina, school teacher at the Soviet consulate in New York, before her jump to freedom from a third-storey window.—United Press.

TWIN BROTHERS REUNITED

New York, July 26.

Sixty-year-old twin brothers, born in England and emigrants to Australia when they were 18, were reunited for the first time in 28 years when the Queen Mary arrived today.

Frederick Packman of Becksley Heath, Kent, returned to England in 1921 while his brother, James, now an American citizen, decided to settle in New York. Both served in the Australian Army during the first world war and were wounded on the same day in different theatres of operations. Frederick, a research worker, will spend a month's holiday here.—United Press.

EXCOMMUNICATION DECREE ANALYSED

Vatican City, July 26.

The Vatican Newspaper "Osservatore Romano" said today that misled Catholics who favour Communism without adopting its basic doctrine are not subject to excommunication.

"Osservatore," in a front page editorial, presented the most exhaustive analysis yet given by Church sources on the recent Holy Office excommunication of militant Communists.

It emphasised the Church's concern over Catholics in Western Europe who have tried to walk a tight rope between Catholicism and Communism.

"In Italy, Belgium and France, there are many Catholics who, either misled by the promises of Communist chiefs or moved by the desire of social reforms, favour Communism without adopting its basic doctrine," the newspaper said.

The newspaper added: "The latter do not incur excommunication, but the Holy See warns them of their grave responsibility for the support given to the dogged enemies of Christian religion and of the danger of poisoning their own intelligence with the false ideas continuously spread by the Communist press."

"Osservatore" specified: "Catholics who support Communism with their votes, with money paid out to the Communist press, with their support in social and political discussions without giving their adherence to the materialistic and anti-Christian doctrine of Communism are not excommunicated."

The newspaper recognised: "There are different brands of Socialism widely different one from the other.

"It will be enough to say that a Socialist Party which shares the fate of Communism and unites its strength to the Communists, favouring it openly, is condemned by the Holy Office's decree.

"If Socialists adhere to Communist materialistic doctrine," "Osservatore" said, "they fall obviously under the excommunication decree.

"Whoever professes, defends and propagates materialistic and anti-Christian doctrines of Communism is excommunicated," it added.

Commenting on the prohibition against reading Communist literature, the newspaper said that reading of Communist writings sooner or later will bring confusion into the mind of the inexperienced, poisoning the mind, endangering seriously the faith and causing the parting of many from the Church and religious practice.

Recalling article 1399 of Canon Law, "Osservatore" said that books defending heresy and schism are forbidden without the need of any further decree. Listed among the prohibited books are those which declare divorce licit.

"Osservatore" said that "even reporters writing sports, theatre or literature for a Communist newspaper commit an illicit act.

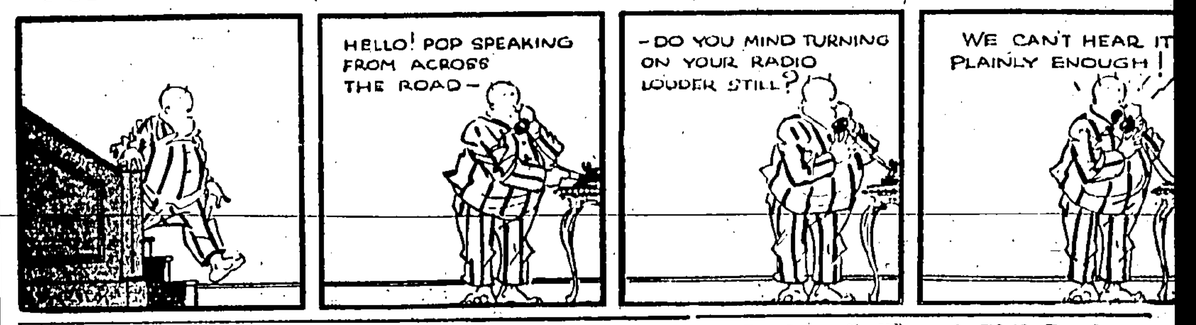
Reading Of Literature

As far as reading of Communist literature is concerned, "Osservatore" said: "Those who have serious or professional reasons to read it will be able to obtain the required permit from the competent ecclesiastic authorities.

"The Bishops are authorised to give these permits, but only to those who have a real need for them and with the usual conditions and cautions."

The newspaper added: "There is no doubt that Communist propaganda has misled many faithful who believe that Communism is not anti-religious and that it can be favoured on social and political grounds. But after the decree of the Holy Office, these faithful will not be able to claim their good faith any longer."

Concluding its comment, "Osservatore" said: "The Church has the duty severely to warn the faithful for the serious ill doing they commit with the direct or indirect support given nearly every day to the Communist parties, that is, to the enemies of God, of Our Lord Jesus Christ and of the Catholic Church."—Associated Press.



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Labour Member's Complaint

London, July 26.

A complaint by a Labour Member of Parliament, Mr. Raymond Blackburn, that the Communist newspaper "Daily Worker" had grossly misrepresented a speech of his and had committed a breach of Parliamentary privilege, was today referred to the House of Commons' Committee of Privilege.

This Committee, which protects the honour and dignity of Members of Parliament, will investigate the complaint and report to Parliament.

It consists of Members of all parties.

Mr. Blackburn asserted that he had not accused the Communists of retaining Buchenwald as a concentration camp and had not demanded that the Greek "Fascists" be given the right to invade Albania, as was reported by the "Daily Worker."

He had simply asked the Government whether Buchenwald was not being used as a concentration camp and whether Greece had the right, in self-defence, to go into Albania.

Mr. Sydney Silverman, Labour, asserted that many Members' speeches were not reported to their satisfaction in the newspapers.

"If we are to be permitted to raise a breach of privilege every time, the Committee is likely to be kept busy."—Reuter.

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8.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis (London Relay).
8.15 p.m.—"ITMA" (BBCTS).
8.45 p.m.—"Generally Speaking". "My visit to Sir Max Beerbohm" by Wynford Vaughan Thomas (London Relay).
9.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials" (London Relay).
9.10 p.m.—Weather Report.
9.11 p.m.—"World Theatre" — Clifford Evans, Fay Compton and Bernard Miles in "Antony and Cleopatra" by William Shakespeare. Part 2.
10.42 p.m.—"Thursday Serenade". A Programme of Continuous Music (BBCTS).
11.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel (London Relay).
11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Summary of News.
11.20 p.m.—Close Down.

Rediffusion

H.K.T.
7.00 a.m.—Up With The Sun.
7.15 a.m.—Setting Up Exercises.
7.30 a.m.—Musical Clock.
7.45 a.m.—The Ed. A. Keller Programme.
8.00 a.m.—News And Weather Forecast.
8.15 a.m.—Olympic Motors Programme.
8.30 a.m.—Good Morning.
9.30 a.m.—Thursday's Music — From Manila.
10.00 a.m.—Morning Medley — From Manila.
11.00 a.m.—Music For All — From Manila.
12.00 p.m.—Song Of The Islands.
12.15 p.m.—Tune Time.
12.30 p.m.—Interval Signal.
12.32 p.m.—From The Films.
1.00 p.m.—Light Variety.
1.15 p.m.—News.
1.30 p.m.—Orchestra Of The Week.
2.00 p.m.—Variety Calls the Tune.
4.15 a.m.—Tropicana — Music From South America.
4.30 p.m.—Vocally Yours.
5.00 p.m.—Music Makers.
5.15 p.m.—Coralie Calling (A Programme For Children).
6.30 p.m.—Memories Of Yesterday.
8.00 p.m.—Louis Jordan Orchestra.
6.15 p.m.—Light Orchestra.
7.00 p.m.—Listen To Leibert, (Gilman).
7.15 p.m.—Music By Paul Weston.
7.30 p.m.—The Qantas Programme "The Story Of Flight".
7.45 p.m.—The Super-Cola Programme.
8.00 p.m.—BBC News.
8.15 p.m.—South Americana.
8.30 p.m.—"ITMA".
9.00 p.m.—Dance Time-Victor Silvester.
9.15 p.m.—Vincent Lopez.
9.30 p.m.—The Salon Concert.
10.00 p.m.—BBC World News.
10.12 p.m.—Local News.
10.15 p.m.—Light Music.
10.30 p.m.—Thursday Serenade.
11.00 p.m.—Stardust.
11.15 p.m.—Soft Lights And Sweet Music.
Midnight—Close Down.

Washington, July 26.

Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg said today that he has told the U.S. State Department the "facts of life"—that it cannot get approval by Congress of President Truman's US$1,450,000,000 foreign arms programme in its present form.

Senator Vandenberg, chief Congressional exponent of bipartisan foreign policy, called for a stop-gap military supply programme until the projected Atlantic Pact Council can establish a defence committee to draft an overall plan.

Senator Vandenberg said, however, that he will withhold decision on the amount of arms to be supplied until State Department officials have given details of the US$1,450,000,000 proposal to Congressional committee.

An "economy size" substitute for the President's history making programme of military aid to non-Communist nations is taking shape among Republican supporters of the bipartisan foreign policy.

In addition to Senator Vandenberg, John Foster Dulles of New York, another Republican, and Representative John Vorys, Ohio Republican, are working on a plan to start the new programme of military assistance with $602,000,000 in cash and existing arms originally worth $450,000,000.

The cash outlay they have in mind compares with $1,450,000,000 asked by Mr. Truman. The amount of existing arms that would be turned over to "free nations" under both the Presidential and reported Republican plans would be the same. These are the arms which the State Department says are 'excess to the mobilisation requirements of the United States". Officials say they include no very heavy bombers, big warships or atomic weapons.

"I do not think it is my place to come forward with a bill now," said Senator Vandenberg.

Wait And See

It is no secret, however, that Mr. Vandenberg has conferred with Senator Dulles about alternative plans.

The idea the Republican supporters of the bipartisan foreign policy is that long-range outlays on arms for Europe should wait until the North Atlantic Defence Council is formed, probably in September and determines overall needs.

In this they have the sympathy of some Democrats, such as Senator Walter George of Georgia, who—like them—has supported most of Mr. Truman's foreign policy proposals.

"There is no need for urgency," Mr. George told newsmen, "and it would be most unfortunate if action is taken on the arms programme before the Defence Council is set up under the Atlantic pact."

Administration officials prepared to support the President's full programme with information about Russia's huge army, which the State Department calls the greatest peacetime army the world has ever seen.

Limited Basis

Michael J. McDermott, the Department's Press Officer, told newsmen: "We have information about Russia's armament and such information as we have will be made available to Congress".

Details of the Vandenberg-Dulles-Vorys substitute have not been determined. But it was revealed that it will be based on:

1. The belief of the sponsors that some action is necessary now to supply arms for some European nations on a limited basis. This would include the continuation of the Greece-Turkey military assistance programme. The three Republicans also believe that a small amount of arms should be available for the North Atlantic pact countries, particularly France.

2. The determination to avoid long-range arms commitment and heavy shipment expenditures until the Atlantic Pact's council and defence committee draft self-help and mutual aid defence plans for Western Europe.

3. The desire to avert a serious psychological shock that might be forthcoming if the Congress failed to grant arms this year after the pact nations have been encouraged to expect them.

4. The belief that the Congress in its present mood will not grant the President's broad programme but might accept a more limited one.

Mr. Acheson's position on the proposal was not revealed. But a Department spokesman had indicated earlier that Mr. Acheson regards the President's programme as 'rock bottom" and will try to drive it through the Congress.

Fight Ahead

The chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Senator Tom Connally, announced today that he will introduce the arms aid plan in the Senate but added that it is wide open for revisions.

The Texas Democrat has informed the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, that he faces a 'hell of a fight" trying to get the Administration programme through Congress.

Senator Connally's announcement that he will introduce Mr. Truman's programme is taken to mean that the Administration is determined to push its plan despite strong opposition from Republican foreign policy leaders and some powerful Democrats.

The opposition prefers a stop-gap programme.

Senator Connally revealed that he does not expect any Republicans to join him in presenting the bill to the Senate. He said Democratic Senators Elbert Thomas, Claude Pepper and Theodore Francis Green will join him in sponsoring the bill. Mr. Connally still declined to comment on the President's plan.

Hearings on the Truman plan will begin on Thursday before the House Foreign Affairs Committee, with Mr. Acheson as the first witness.—Associated Press and United Press.

Federation Call In U.S. Congress

Washington, July 26.

A resolution calling for a Federal Convention of the Atlantic Pact nations to explore the possibilities of a Federal Union was introduced in both House of Congress today.

Sponsored by 16 Senators and four Representatives as a step towards eventual world government the plan is backed by influential members of both the Democratic and Republican Parties.

It calls on President Truman to invite the Atlantic Pact nations to name delegates, representing their principal political parties, to meet the American delegates.

Sponsors of the resolution told a press conference that a Federal Union of the democracies is the only means of obtaining permanent world peace.

Mr. Owen Roberts, a former Supreme Court Justice, who is President of the Atlantic Union Committee, said that the resolution is a first step towards the setting up of a single agency which could deal with economic as well as defence problems.

Meanwhile, Senator Charles Tobey (Republican) introduced a resolution in the Senate calling for the strengthening of the United Nations and its development into a World Federation with limited powers.

The resolution was supported by 11 other members of the Senate and is identical with a resolution introduced in the House of Representatives last month and now sponsored by 103 Representatives.

It is generally considered here that neither resolutions can be considered during this session of Congress.—Reuter.

Kashmir Agreement Reached

Karachi, July 26.

Military representatives of India and Pakistan have reached full agreement on the cease fire line for the entire State of Jammu and Kashmir, it was announced tonight.

Today's meeting was the first after consultations at the weekend between the delegations and their respective Governments.

The agreement leaves the way open for the United Nations Commission from India and Pakistan to re-commence discussions for a truce agreement.

Such an agreement is to be an essential preliminary to holding a plebiscite which will decide the future of the States.

The agreement is subject to ratification by both Governments, which is expected within four days.

Mr. Hernando Samper, Chairman of the United Nations Truce Sub-Committee which has supervised the discussions, said in a statement: "The Truce Sub-Committee attaches the greatest importance to this event."

The delegates are to hold another meeting tomorrow to draft the agreement.—Reuter.

Russia Plays Up Truman Arms Bill

Moscow, July 26.

The Soviet press and radio gave wide play today to President Truman's military aid bill, branding as "nonsensical" the President's assertion that the Atlantic Treaty and arms aid tie within the framework of the United Nations.

"According to Mr. Truman," said a Tass despatch from Washington, "armament of countries of Western Europe and also other states is necessary to give them the possibility to defend themselves from threats of aggression.

"It is well known," the Soviet news agency declared, "that no one intends attacking these countries."

Tass said that Mr. Truman had made it plain that military aid will be halted to any country whose policy runs contrary to that of the United States.—Associated Press.

POST OFFICE

MAIL NOTICE

AIR MAIL DELAYED

1. The inward Airmail from United Kingdom, scheduled to arrive on Thursday, July 28, is now expected to arrive on Friday, July 29, 1949.

2. The Outward Airmail for Japan, scheduled to close at 5 p.m., on Thursday, July 28, will now close at 5 p.m., on Friday, July 29, 1949 (Registered mail half an hour earlier).

Outward Mails

It is hereby notified that all mail services for Shanghai, Tientsin and North China are temporarily suspended.

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Canton, (Kowloon CPO) 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m.; (GPO) 9.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.
Airmail for Taipeh and Foochow: Airmail for Kweilin, Chungking and Chengtu, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Liuchow and Kunming: Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, (Hasra, Nairobi, Mombasa, Dares Salaam, Mauritius, Johannesburg and Cairo via Karachi), Alexandria, Rome and London, Kowloon CPO: (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.; GPO (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Airmail for Singapore, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Airmail for Bangkok, Batavia, Colombo, Sydney and Auckland, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Closing Times by Sea
Formosa via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Manila, 3 p.m.
Swatow, 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 29
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.
Airmail for Foochow; Airmail for Hoihow, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow, Amoy and Taipeh: Airmail for Chungking and Chengtu, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Japan, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, USA and Canada, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.
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Airmail for Haiphong and Hanoi, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Closing Times by Sea
Straits, 9 a.m.
Japan, 9 a.m.
Saigon, 10 a.m.
Amoy, 2 p.m.
USA, Canada, Central and South America via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada), (Par. and Reg.) 2.30 p.m., (Ord.) 3 p.m.
Calcutta, 3 p.m.
Parcels only for Canada via Vancouver BC, 3 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 30
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) Noon, (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.
Airmail for USA and Canada, (Reg.) 1.30 p.m., (Ord.) 2 p.m.
Airmail for Bangkok, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Closing Times by Sea
Manila, Saigon and Marseilles, 3 p.m.

ALBANIA MAKES PROTEST

London, July 27.

Albania has protested to the United Nations against a violation of its territory by Greek Government forces, Tirana Radio announced tonight.

The Albanian Foreign Office, in a telegram to Mr. Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations, alleged that on July 21 Greek artillery had fired several shells onto Albanian territory, killing a soldier, the report added.—Reuter.

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	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"TJIBADAK"	3rd August	
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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

STERLING SOLUTION "SOME YEARS AHEAD"

London, July 26.

Mr. Glenvil Hall, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, indicated in the House of Commons today that it is quite likely that the settlement of India's Sterling balances in Britain lies some years ahead, perhaps five or ten.

Earlier, Mr. Leonard Gammons, Conservative, had asked what was the amount of the Sterling balance claimed as due to India at the end of the war, by how much it had been reduced at the time of partition, and what the sums claimed by India and Pakistan are now.

Mr. Hall replied that in the financial agreement of August 14, 1947, the Sterling assets of undivided India were put at £1,160,000,000. He regretted that he could not disclose the size of the balances at other dates.

Such information as could properly be given of the releases from the Sterling balances would be made available when the current financial negotiations were completed.

Mr. Gammans: Will you deny that fairly large sums of Sterling have been in fact released without any corresponding imports and that the case for the scaling down of these balances has been largely allowed to go by default?

Mr. Hall: I do not think I can add to my answer. Negotiations are proceeding and an announcement will be made in due course.

Usual Practice

Mr. Oliver Stanley (Conservative): Why must there be all this secrecy about the Sterling balances? Surely we are entitled to know how much we have paid off since the figure mentioned by the Financial Secretary.

Mr. Hall: This is the accepted practice. I have no doubt it goes back some years and the Government of which you were a distinguished member took this line.

Mr. Stanley: Do you really believe that before 1939 there were ever any cases of balances similar to this? We might have had balances which were behind the currency of a particular country or Dominion, but nothing in the same class as this. Would it not be perfectly safe to give the country information which it ought to have as to what money has been paid off these balances by unrequited exports?

Mr. Richard Stokes (Labour): Will the Government consider settling this matter by sending the India Government a bill for the amount for saving them from the Japanese?

There was no reply.—Reuter.

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

The Board showed signs of more enquiries yesterday morning, but buyers were not in a too generous mood.

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Rubber Trusts 2.80a.
Samagaya Rubbers .85n.
Semambu Rubbers .25n.
Shanghai Kedahs 1n.
Shanghai-Malays 12n.
Shanghai Sumatras .30n.
Sungei Duris 13½n.
Tanah Merahs .50n.
Tebong Rubbers .40n.
Ulangbe Rubbers 1n.

Money Market

There was a further drop in US dollars yesterday as the market opened at HK$6.15, but there was a recovery in the course of the day, and the closing rate appreciated to $6.20½.

TT was put through from HK$6.17 and $6.22½.

Sterling was unchanged at HK$16.60.

Australian pounds opened at HK$13.50 and closed at $13.60.

Piastres closed at HK$13.70 a 100 after opening at $13.75.

Ticals were again unchanged at HK$20.30 a 100.

(NEI Guilders dropped another 10 cents to HK$84.40 a 100.

NY COTTON

New York, July 27.

Cotton futures were irregular on Tuesday in dull trading and closed 10 cents a bale higher to 5 cents lower.

October	29.57 - 58.
December	29.54
March	29.47 bid.
May	29.34 bid.
July	28.78 nominal.
October	26.73.
Middling Spot	32.26 nominal

—Associated Press.

SHIP MOVEMENTS

[illegible]

Undercutting By Russia

London, July 26.

A Foreign Office spokesman charged today that the Soviet Union is able to undercut the world market prices because it uses forced labour.

Challenged at a daily press conference by a correspondent of the Communist "Daily Worker," the spokesman said there is evidence that Russia in some fields is producing cheap goods as a result of the employment of forced labour.

The spokesman declined to qualify the charge on commodities on which the Soviet is undercutting Western countries.

British delegates to the United Nations Economic and Social Council at Geneva last week charged that Russia is making extensive use of forced labour.—United Press.

REVISION OF RUBBER ORDER

Washington, July 26.

American tyre manufacturers may use more natural rubber imported from the British Commonwealth and other countries and less American-made synthetic rubber, the Commerce Department announced today.

Revision of an order determining what proportion of natural and synthetic rubber a manufacturer uses will allow him to use less of the synthetic product if he wishes, but will not compel him to do so.

The Wall Street Journal said that the State Department believes that larger natural rubber purchases by American consumers will aid the British bid for dollars.

It is estimated that, with the new order, natural rubber imports may increase by an additional 14,000 tons a year from the current annual import rate of 900,000 tons.—Reuter.

HAWAII DOCK PARALYSIS

Honolulu, July 26.

Hawaii's Governor today asked his Legislature for Government seizure and operation of docks to bring an end to the progressive paralysis caused by 87 days of the CIO stevedore strike.

"We must insure continued operation of shipping," Governor Ingram M. Stanbuck told a joint meeting of Senate and House which he summoned into special session. He called it the "jugular vein" of the Islands.

"We cannot do that unless the Government itself takes over the stevedoring operations with its own employees, or is empowered to do so whenever necessity arises".—Associated Press.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, July 27.

Grain futures slumped with wheat and corn dipping more than three cents a bushel at times after Monday's upturn.

Factors responsible for the liquidation included Government reports of heavy grain carryovers and rains in the corn and spring wheat regions.

Wheat closed 1-5/8 to 2-7/8 lower.

September	$2.03 7/8 - 3/4.
December	$2.07 1/8 - 1/4.
March	$2.05 3/4 - 7/8.
May	$2.01 1/8 - 3/8.

Corn 2-1/8 to 3-cents.

September	$1.26 3/4 - 7/8.

Oats were 1-1/8 to 1-1/2 lower

September	.65 1/4.

Rye was off 4-1/2 to 5-1/4 cents

September	$1.51 3/4-$1.52.

Soybeans were 1 to 2-1/2 lower

November	$2.27-$2.26 3/4.

—Associated Press.

LONDON STOCKS

London, July 27.

Renewed weakness in British gilt-edged securities featured stock market with losses extending ¼ of a point in persistent selling. Industrial shares were easier. Oils and Kaffirs were steady to firm at the close.

The Financial Times' index was 103.6, off .5.—Associated Press.

Israel May Re-Open Big Oil Refinery

Haifa, July 26.

The influential government party newspaper "Hador" said today that Israel contemplates opening the Haifa oil refineries if the British company does not accede to the Israeli demand to re-operate the works.

The paper's diplomatic correspondent states that the Government is well within its legal rights in requesting the company to open the refineries within a certain time limit or else the company will have to submit to the Government's opening it on its own.

It stated that in Hakirya (the Government seat in Tel Aviv) no final decision has been taken, but the Government has asked for information regarding British navy [illegible] for the resumption of the flow of oil from [illegible]

In connection with the recent pressure shown by the Israel Government for the re-opening of the Haifa oil refineries, it is thought in oil circles here that the departure from Haifa for England today of the British senior official at Haifa's refineries, J. Moffat, was so that he could report on the situation.

It is also learned that he will meet on his way Haifa's oil refinery manager J. W. Dix, now staying in Cyprus, and discuss with him the latest developments at Haifa during the manager's [illegible]

Mr. Moffat is reported to be [illegible] from Haifa.—Associated Press.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, July 27.

The stock market on Tuesday circled around the highest price level yet reached in its summer rally.

Closing prices were a little under top marks of the session, but still up fractions to more than a point. Steels, rails and motors were among the strongest groups. Turn-over was around 1,300,000 shares.

Corporate earnings reports, some of them unexpectedly favourable, helped to create demand. Risers included U.S. Steel, Bethlehem Steel, Chrysler, Goodrich, American Telephone, Anaconda Copper and Texas Oil.

American Woollen declined on limited turn-over.

Dow Jones average: Stocks 62.73, 20 Industrials 170.97, 15 Rails 49.36, 10 Utilities 35.67.

Adams Express	18⅞
Alaska Juneau	3
American Can	91¾
American Smelting	40¼
American Telephone	142¼
American Tobacco	69⅞
American Waterworks	7½
Anaconda Copper	28½
Aviation Corp.	5⅛
Baldwin Locomotive	9¾
Barnsdall	17
Bendix Aviation	31
Bethlehem Steel	28⅛
Boeing Aircraft	19½
Borden Co.	42½
Canadian Pacific	12½
J. I. Case	37⅛
Chrysler	51
Colgate	37½
Commercial Solvents	15¼
Corn Products	61⅞
Du Pont	46¾
Eastman Kodak	41¾
General Electric	37½
General Motors	61⅞
Goodrich	60½
Goodyear	40¼
Homestake Mining	42⅛
International Harvester	25¾
International Paper	49⅛
International Tel & Tel	9
Johns Manville	38⅝
Kennecott Copper	46¼
Montgomery Ward	53⅝
National Distillers	19⅛
National Lead	32¾
New York Central	10⅛
Packard Motors	3⅝
Pan American Airways	9½
Pennsylvania RR	15
Radio Corp.	10½
Remington Rand	10
Republic Steel	19¾
Reynolds Tobacco	36⅞
Schenley	26⅞
Sears Roebuck	40⅞
Shell Oil	35
Socony Vacuum	15½
Southern Pacific	28¼
Standard Brands	20
Standard Oil of Calif.	61⅞
Standard Oil of N. J.	67⅛
Studebaker	23¾
Union Bag	22⅛
Union Carbide	38¾
US Rubber	35½
US Steel	33⅝
US Lines	15
Westinghouse	24⅝
Youngstown Sheet & Tube	62⅝
Gen. Pub. Utilities	13⅜

—Associated Press.

BUYING LESS NO SOLUTION

New York, July 26.

New Zealand's Finance Minister, Walter Nash, who attended the British Commonwealth Finance Ministers conference, said on arrival by plane from London today: "The problem of the drain on Britain's dollar reserve is so great that it cannot be solved by buying less from the United States.

"This reduction may be a necessary immediate step but the problem can be solved only by our selling more to the United States and at the same time buying more from the United States.

"I am quite certain that the United States government and American businessmen must invest in Eurobean countries and in some of the under-developed countries, particularly in the Middle East, India and South America".

Mr. Nash is leaving for San Francisco tonight en route to New Zealand.—United Press.

U.S. STEEL'S INCOME DOWN

New York, July 27.

The net income of United States Steel Corporation declined to $44,123,595 in the second quarter this year the corporation reported today. The first quarter net was $49,928,570.

The directors ordered a dividend of 50 cents on the new common stock, payable September 10 to thirty holders of record August.

Earnings for the first six months of this year totalled $94,052,165 or $3.12 a share, compared with $153,448,000 or $5.48 a share in the first half of last year.—Associated Press.

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"BENCRUACHAN"	" (Direct)	29th August.
§"BENALBANACH"	U.K. via Singapore	End August.
**"BENNEVIS"	— do —	End August.
"BENMACDHUI"	— do —	1st half Sept.

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SHIP	TO	LOADING
"BENVORLICH"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hull.	30th July.
§"BENCRUACHAN"		End August
§"BENREOCH"		1st half Sept.
§"BENMACDHUI"		Mid Sept.
"BENALBANACH"		2nd half Sept.
"BENDORAN"	Liverpool, Glasgow, Dublin, Havre, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg.	2nd half August.
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Shipping Arrivals

YESTERDAY

Alpha Oranje (Mollers) British 8,04 tons ex-Chinwantao Capt. Bray M. Wh.
Maxwell Brander (Army HQ) British 2580 tons ex-Singapore Capt. McLaren ..... D.G.A.

TODAY

Benvorlich (Loxley) ex-Europe.
Pioneer Sea (USL) ex-Manila.
Somali (Mac Mac) ex-London.

TOMORROW

Champollion (Mac Mac) ex-Europe.
Eastern Saga (Jardine) ex-Keelung.
Mongolia (E. A.) ex-Europe.
Iran Victory (USL) ex-San Francisco.
Pres. Taft (APL) ex-San Francisco.
Shirala (Mac Mac) ex-India.

Shipping Departures

YESTERDAY

Admiral Hardy (Wang Kee) for Inchon.
Belleville (Thoresen) for Panama.
Bougainville (Bank) for Singapore.
Chuysang (Jardine) for Inchon.
Hladutan (Jardine) for Yokkaichi.
Kwiyang (B & S) for Swatow.
Mausang (Jardine) for Sandakan.
Tasman (RIL) for Manila.
Yu Chung (King Tai) for Yulin.

TODAY

Pres. Monroe (APL) round the world trip.
Shengking (B & S) for Swatow.
Taiwan (B & S) for Swatow.

TOMORROW

Castleville (Bank) for San Francisco.
Heinrich Jessen (B & S) for Singapore.

Vessels In Port

Aivanovsky (Metro) ..... K. Dz.
Alpha Oranje (Mollers) ..... Mac. Whf
An Dah (Chung Hsing) ..... K. Bay
Bankvia (B & S) ..... T. Dk.
Both (RIL) ..... T. Dk.
Chiping (CMSN) ..... Co.'s Whf.
Christobal (Rama) ..... K. Bay
Cloverlock (Yick Yuen) ..... Ymt.
Colon (Wallem) ..... Cos. Dk
Dah Kiang (Yuen Tung) ..... S.C.
Dah Tung (NC) ..... S.C.
Do Hu Yi (MM) ..... T. Dk.
Dr. Angier (MM) ..... T. Dk.
Ebenal (Jebsens) ..... T. Wan
Empire Jamaica (Wang Kee) .. T. Dk.
Empire Windrush (STO) ..... A.C.
Gerona (Trinity) ..... S.C.
Glengyle (Jardine) ..... Holt's Whf.
Hpi Who (S. China) ..... S.C.
Hai Lin (CMSN) ..... Ymt.
Hai Yuen (CMSN) ..... S.C.
Helikon (Wo Fat Sing) ..... B.S
Heinrich Jessen (B & S) ..... B.S
Hunan (B & S) ..... T. Dk.
Hu Men (Ming Sung) ..... K. Dk.
Hung Yung (CMSN) ..... T. Wan
Hwah Sung (Wallem) ..... S.C.
Joseph S (PCM) ..... K. Dk.
King Hsing (Chung Hsing) .. K. Dk.
Kingsborough (HK East) .. K. Dk.
Lee Chu (Ming Sung) ..... S.C.
Lee Kung ..... N. Pt.
Leung Bee (Yick Yuen) ..... K. Dk.
Lezardrieux (MM) ..... K. Dk
Maxwell Brander (Army HQ) ..... DGA
Mei Ting (HOTRA) ..... S.C.
Ming 302 (CMSN) ..... Co.'s Whf.
Moltova (Wallem) ..... S.C.
Nan Guan (Chun Wei Sing) .. Ymt.
New Shanghai (Trinity) ..... Ymt.
Nordvest (Thoresen) ..... K. W.
Nowroos (G Livingston) ..... S.C.
Panlus Hook (Caltex) ..... K. Bay
Ping An (EA) ..... T. Dk.
Poyang (B & S) ..... T. Dk.
Pres. Monroe (APL) ..... K. Whf.
Pronto (Karsten) ..... B.S
Rum River (Caltex) ..... K. Bay
San Eduardo (Manners) ..... Ymt.
Sepia (B & S) ..... K. Bay
Shanghai Victory (CUS Co.) ..... S.C.
Sin Soon Lee (Yee Sang Hong) .. Ymt.
Soochow (B&S) ..... T. Dk.
Standella (B & S) ..... K. Dk.
Stanvac (SO) ..... LCK
Store Nordlake (GNTC) ..... HH Bay
Tai Ping Shan (APC) ..... APC Whf.
Taipohsan (Shun Cheong) ..... S.C.
Taiwan (B & S) ..... A.C.
Union Banker (Bank) ..... LCK
Union Trader (Fook Hong) ..... S.C.
Valve (North West Co.) ..... Ymt.
Way Nam (Kung Dah) ..... S.C.
Yumen (Ming Sung) ..... Wlh. Whf.

Vessels Due From

SOUTH AFRICA

August
Glenbank (Bank) ..... Mid
Strait Malakka (RIL) 22
September
Boissevain (RIL) 24

AMERICA

ATLANTIC COAST

August
Andrew Jackson (Wallem) 24
Arizona (Dodwell) ex-Vancouver .. 30
Arnold Maersk (Jebsen) 2
Ajax (B & S) ex-New York 23
Chastine Maersk (Jebsen) 18
Ferndale (Thoresen) 12
Fernfield (Thoresen) 1
George Luckenbach (Gerrile) 5
Granville (Thoresen) 20
Grete Maersk (Jebsen) 16
Ingall (Wallem) 14
Java Mail (Everett) ex-Seattle 6
Montara (Dodwell) ex-Los Angeles 12
Ocean Mail (Everett) ex-Seattle .. 4
Oregon (Dodwell) ex-Los Angeles.. 4
Paducah Victory (USL) 15
Pioneer Tide (USL) 18
Pres. Fillmore (APL) ex-New York 10
Steel Vendor (Gilman) 5
Tricape (Dodwell) ex-Halifax .. 12
Tudor (Dodwell) 14
September
Benares (Rama) ..... Early
Colorado (Dodwell) ex-Los Angeles 9
Fershill (Thoresen) 12
Gulfside (Dodwell) ..... Beg.
Hopeville (Thoresen) 25
Hurricane (Wallem) 11
Pioneer Mail (USL) 4
Pres. Tyler (APL) ex-New York.. 5
Reinholt (Wallem) 17
Steel Age (Gilman) 1
Tara (Dodwell) 17
October
Forshey (Thoresen) 10
Steel Worker (Gilman) 2
Yaka (Wallem) 10
November
Fernside (Thoresen) 10

PACIFIC COAST

July
Iran Victory (USL) ex-San Francisco 29
Pres. Taft (APL) ex-San Francisco 30
Steelrose (USL) ex-San Francisco 30
Pres. Wilson (APL) 31
August
Alex Luckenbach (Luckenbach) ex-San Francisco 24
Calvin P. Bates (Dodwell) ex-Vancouver 1
Pioneer Dragon (USL) ex-San Francisco 10
Pioneer Glen (APL) 7
Steel Recorder (ISL) ex-San Francisco 30
Herdis (Mac Mac) 3
Luxembourg Victory (USL) ex-San Francisco 13
Mongabarra (Wallem) 23
Pres. Madison (APL) ex-San Francisco 10
Sunnyville (Bank) 11
September
Francisville (Bank) 21
Tahsis (EA) ..... Beg.

AUSTRALIA

August
Aros (Dodwell) 15
Baluchistan (Jardine) ex-Melbourne 14
Changsha (B & S) 15
September
Citos (Dodwell) 10

CHINA

July
Eastern Saga (Jardine) ex-Keelung 29
Fengtien (B & S) ex-Keelung .. 30/31
Hangyang (B & S) ex-Inchon .. 30
Shengking (B & S) ex-Swatow .. 30
Wingsang (Jardine) ex-Keelung .. 31
August
Kweiyang (B & S) ex-Amoy 1

EUROPE

July
Benvorlich (Loxley) 28
Champollion (MM) 29
Mongolia (E.A.) 29
Somali (Mac Mac) ex-London 28
August
Astyanax (B & S) via Straits .. 14
Benalbanach (Loxley) ..... End
Benclough (Loxley) 15
Benruachan (Loxley) 29
Benrevis (Loxley) ..... End
Benreoch (Loxley) via Singapore.. 10
Calchas (B & S) 31
Carthage (P & O) ex-London 1
Clytoneus (B & S) ex-U.K. 1
Corfu (P & O) ex-London 19
Glenroy (Jardine) ex-London 27
Malaya (EA) ..... Beg.
Maron (B & S) via Straits 6
Mindoro (Gilman) 6
Oyonnax (MM) 1
Ravnaas (Thoresen) ..... End
Rijnkerk (RIL) 8
Travancore (Gilman) ..... End
September
Benmacdhui (Loxley) ..... 1st half
Canton (Mac Mac) ex-London 20
Denbighshire (Jardine) ex-London 1
Glenartney (Jardine) ex-London .. 18
Glenorchy (Jardine) ex-London .. 27
Tydeus (B & S) 6
Marlekerk (RIL) ..... Early
Morella (East Asiatic) ..... Mid
Socotra (Mac Mac) 20
Talabot (Thoresen) ..... Mid
Trevelyan (Mac Mac) ex-London.. 20
October
Glencairn (Jardine) ex-London ... 13
Kambodia (EA) ..... Mid
Molenkerk (RIL) ..... Early
Tallyrand (Thoresen) ..... Beg.
November
Korea (EA) ..... Mid

INDIA

July
Shirala (Mac Mac) 25
August
Kutsang (Jardine) ex-Calcutta 9
Lokeang (Jardine) ex-Calcutta 2
Pulikonda (Mac Mac) ex-Karachi 8
Sirdhana (Mac Mac) ex-Calcutta .. 10

JAPAN

July
Szechuen (B & S) ex-Brunei 30/31
August
Changte (B & S) 9
Garbeta (Mac Mac) 1
Itria (Mac Mac) 2
Kafristan (Jardine) 1
Nankin (Mac Mac) 29
Rijnkerk (RIL) ..... End
Ruys (RIL) 7
Sangola (Mac Mac) 2
Star Arcturus (Everett) 7
September
Marlekerk (RIL) ..... End
Tjilomdok (RIL) 4
October
Strait Malakka (RIL) 3

SOUTH EAST PORTS

July
Hinsang (Jardine) ex-Sandakan .. 30
Ninghai (B & S) ex-Bangkok 31
Pioneer Sea (USL) ex-Manila 28
Pres. Tyler (APL) ex-Singapore .. 30
August
Bebeverett (Everett) ex-Singapore 25
Leneverett (Everett) ex-Singapore 17
Nordfjerman (Everett) ex-Singapore 27
Paducah Victory (USL) ex-Manila 30
Pioneer Cove (USL) ex-Manila .. 10
Pres. Buchanan (APL) ex-Manila.. 9
Pres. Grant (APL) ex-Sourabaya.. 26
Star Arcturus (Everett) ex-Manila 17
Tjiadane (RIL) ex-Java Ports ... 4
Turks Head (Everett) ex-Singapore 20
Tjitjalengka (RIL) ex-Java Ports 18
Van Heutsz (RIL) ex-Singapore .. 8
Van Riemsdijk (RIL) ex-Singapore 26
September
Belapur (Everett) ex-Singapore .. 5
Boissevain (RIL) ex-Manila 24
Pioneer Tide (USL) ex-Manila ... 4
Tjibadak (RIL) ex-Java Ports .. 1

SOUTH AMERICA

August
Strait Malakka (RIL) 22
September
Boissevain (RIL) 24

Sailings To

AFRICA

August
10 Ruys (RIL).
September
7 Tjilomdok (RIL).
October
5 Strait Malakka (RIL).
November
4 Boissevain (RIL).

AUSTRALIA

August
3 Kafristan (Jardine) for Brisbane.
12 Changte (B. & S) for Sydney.
22 Nankin (Mac Mac).
End. Hindustan (Jardine) for Sydney.
September
12 Aros (Dodwell) for Sydney.
October
Beg. Citos (Dodwell) for Sydney.

AMERICA

ATLANTIC COAST

July
30 Pioneer Sea (USL).
August
1 Petes Maersk (Jebsen) for New York.
2 Fernfield (Thoresen).
5 Ocean Mail (Everett) via Japan.
7 Java Mail (Everett) via Japan.
5 Oregon (Dodwell) for Los Angeles.
11 Pres. Fillmore (APL) for New York.
12 Irisbank (Bank) for Boston, New York.
12 Pioneer Cove (USL) for New York.
15 Marchen Maersk (Jebsen) for New York.
End Doha Arkala (Kasim).
15 Meredith Victory (Gilman) via Panama.
20 Ingall (Wallem) for Atlantic.
21 Calvin P. Bates (Dodwell) for Atlantic.
21 Granville (Thoresen) for Atlantic.
End Pioneer Dragon (USL) for New York.
Beg. Steel Recorder (ISL) for New York.
4 Sally Maersk (Jebsen).
6 Pioneer Tide (USL).
7 Pres. Tyler (APL) for New York.
9 Allegheny Victory (Gilman).
11 Fernhill (Thoresen).

PACIFIC COAST

July
30 Pres. Taft (APL) for San Francisco
29 Castleville (Bank) for San Francisco
30 Iran Victory (USL) for San Francisco.

August
3 Pacific Transport (Jardine) for San Francisco.
3 Pres. Wilson (APL) for San Francisco via Japan.
3 Surprise (USL) for San Francisco.
5 General Gordon (APL) for San Francisco.
8 Charles E Dant (Dodwell) for Vancouver.
11 Pres. Madison (APL) for San Francisco.
12 Luxembourg Victory (USL) for San Francisco.
12 Mongabarra (Wallem) for Los Angeles.
17 Triton (Dodwell).
18 Flying Dragon (USL) for San Francisco.
18 Philippine Transport (Jardine) for San Francisco.
19 Veteroy (Wallem) For Los Angeles.

September
1 Great Republic (USL) for San Francisco.
10 Colorado (Dodwell) for Los Angeles
18 Tudor (Dodwell).

CHINA

July
28 Talmun (B & S) for Swatow.
28 Shengking (B & S) for Swatow.
31 Turks Head (Everett) for Shanghai.

August
2 Wingsang (Jardine) for Keelung.
3 Szechuen (B & S) for Swatow.
12 Birdhunn (Mac Mac) for Amoy.

EUROPE

July
30 Champollion (MM) for Marseilles.
30 Benvorlich (Loxley).

August
Beg. Mongolia (EA).
Beg. Tai Ping Yan (Thoresen).
2 Radnorshire (Jardine) for London.
3 Surat (Mac Mac) for London.
5 Carthage (P & O) for London.
2nd half. Benduran (Loxley)
6 City of Liverpool (Bank) for London
9 Autolycus (B & S) for Liverpool.
17 Nordvest (Thoresen) via Manila.
18 Mongolia (East Asia) Aden, Port Said.
21 Glengyle (Jardine) for London.
22 Mindoro (Gilman).
25 Oyonnax (MM).
26 Clytoneus (B & S).
28 Somali (Mac Mac) for Antwerp.
End. Benenuachan (Loxley).
End. Malaya (EA).
End. Rijnkerk (RIL) via Manila.

September
Early. Benclough (Loxley).
2 Corfu (P & O) for London.
1st half. Benreoch (Loxley).
8 Astyanax (B & S) for Liverpool.
2nd half. Benalbanach (Loxley).
Mid. Benmacdhui (Loxley).
20 Ravnaas (Thoresen).
20. Canton (Mac Mac) for London.
End. Marlekerk (RIL) via Manila.

October
Beg. Morella (EA).
5 Talabot (Thoresen).
Early. Benrevis (Loxley).
23 Socotra (Mac Mac).
28 Carthage (Mac Mac) for London.
End. Molenkerk (RIL).

November
Beg. Kambodia (EA).

INDIA

August
4 Itria (Mac Mac) for Bombay.

JAPAN

August
2 Ozunnax (MM).
3 Ninghai (B & S).
4 Lokeang (Jardine).
8 Mindoro (Gilman) for Kobe and Yokohama.
18 Leneverett (Everett) for Kobe.
14 Rijnkerk (RIL).
19 Changsha (B & S).
21 Turks Head (Everett) for Kobe.
28 Nordfjorman (Everett).
24 Strait Malakka (RIL).
25 Baluchistan (Jardine) for Kobe.
27 Bebeverett (Everett).

September
Early. Marlekerk (RIL).
6 Belapur (Everett).

SOUTH EAST PORTS

July
29 Heinrich Jessen (B & S) for Singapore.
30 Haltien (CMSN) for Singapore.
30 Pres. Tyler (APL) for Singapore.
31 Van Riemsduk (RIL) for Singapore

August
2 Eastern Saga (Jardine) for Singapore.
3 Garbeta (Mac Mac) for Singapore.
1 Hangsang (Jardine) for Sandakan.
2 Kweiyank (B & S) for Saigon.
3 Tjibadak (RIL) for Manila & Java.
3 Fengtien (B & S) for Singapore.
4 Sangola (Mac Mac) for Straits.
5 Shirala (Mac Mac) for Straits.
6 Steel Vendor (Gilman) for Saigon, Bangkok and Batavia.
7 Szechuen (B & S) for Singapore.
8 Hinsang (Jardine) for Sandakan.
8 Star Arcturus (Everett) for Manila.
21 Bradeverett (Everett) for Manila.
14 Paducah Victory (USL) for Manila.
16 Van Heutsz (RIL) for Singapore.
18 Tjiadane (RIL) for Java Ports.
19 Pioneer Tide (USL) for Manila.
19 Star Arcturus (Everett) for S'pore.
22 Sunnyville (Bank) for Singapore.
26 Hai Lee (Thoresen) for Singapore.
25 Hiram (Thoresen) for Bangkok.
27 Pres. Grant (APL) for Sourabaya, Batavia.

September
1 Tjitjalengka (RIL) for Java Ports.
2 Steel Age (Gilman) for Batavia.
4 Van Riemsdijk (RIL) for Singapore
5 Pioneer Mail (USL) for Manila.
15 Tjibadak (RIL) for Java Ports.

October
3 Steel Worker (Gilman) for Batavia.
5 Strait Malakka (RIL) for Manila.

November
4 Boissevain (RIL) for Manila.

SOUTH AMERICA

August
10 Ruys (RIL).

September
7 Tjilomdok (RIL).

October
5 Strait Malakka (RIL).

November
4 Boissevain (RIL) for Manila.

ROUND THE WORLD

July
30 Pres. Monroe (APL).

August
11 Pres. Buchanan (APL).

SHIP MOVEMENTS

[illegible] left at 7 p.m. today. She will be moored [illegible] Ady Arthur Blackstone and landing of [illegible] cases.

The vessel is expected to sail for New York via Japan on July 30.

AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS

Arrivals

TODAY

BOAC ex-Singapore: 4.45 p.m.
CNAC ex-Canton: 10.30 a.m., 12 noon, 1.20 p.m., 2.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m.; ex-Swatow: 11.30 a.m.; ex-Amoy, via Swatow: 3.45 p.m.; ex-Taipeh via Amoy: 5.40 p.m.; ex-Taipeh (direct): 4.20 p.m.; ex-Kunming via Liuchow, Canton: 3.35 p.m.; ex-Chungking via Changsha, Canton: 4 p.m.; ex-Chungking via Canton: 6.40 p.m.; ex-Haiphong via Canton: 3.40 p.m.
CPAIR ex-Vancouver: 5 p.m.
CATC ex-Taipeh via Amoy, Swatow: 6.20 p.m.
CPA ex-Manila: 12 noon.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 10.40 a.m., 1 p.m., 4.40 p.m., 7 p.m.; ex-Manila: 2.30 p.m.
PAA ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Wake, Tokyo, Okinawa: 12.45 p.m.

TOMORROW

BOAC ex-London/Bangkok: 3.40 p.m.; ex-Southampton/Bangkok: 4 p.m.
AIR FRANCE ex-Haiphong, Hanoi: 5 p.m.
CNAC ex-Canton: 10.30 a.m., 12 noon, 1.20 p.m., 2.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m.; ex-Swatow: 11.30 a.m.; ex-Amoy via Swatow: 5.45 p.m.; ex-Foochow via Amoy: 8.45 p.m.; ex-Changsha via Canton: 5.45 p.m.; ex-Haihow via Canton: 5.40 p.m.
CATC ex-Kunming via Liuchow, Canton: 6.30 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 10.40 a.m., 1 p.m., 4.40 p.m., 7 p.m.
PAA ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Midway, Wake, Guam, Manila: 3.45 p.m.; ex-New York via London, Istanbul, Damascus, Karachi, Calcutta, Bangkok: 2.15 p.m.
POAS ex-Bangkok: 4 p.m.

SATURDAY

CNAC ex-Canton: 10.30 a.m., 12 noon, 1.20 p.m., 2.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m.; ex-Swatow: 11.30 a.m.; ex-Amoy via Swatow: 5.45 p.m.; ex-Taipeh via Canton: 6.40 p.m.; ex-Taipeh via Taiwan, Swatow, Canton: 3.35 p.m.; ex-Foochow via Amoy: 4.50 p.m.; ex-Calcutta via Rangoon, Kunming: 5.25 p.m.; ex-Haihow via Canton: 3.40 p.m.; ex-Yulinkong via Haihow, Canton: 6.40 p.m.; ex-Tokyo, Taipeh: 5 p.m.
CATC ex-Taipeh via Amoy, Swatow: 6.20 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 10.40 a.m., 1 p.m., 4.40 p.m., 7 p.m.
PAA ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Midway, Wake, Guam, Manila: 1.45 p.m.; ex-New York via London, Istanbul, Damascus, Karachi, Calcutta, Bangkok: 2.15 p.m.
PAL ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Wake, Guam, Manila: 10 a.m.
BRAATHENS ex-Oslo/Bangkok: 4 p.m.

Departures

TODAY

AIR FRANCE for Saigon, Tourane: 7 a.m.
CNAC for Canton: 9 a.m., 10.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 4.30 p.m.; Swatow: 8.15 a.m.; Amoy via Swatow: 12 noon; Taipeh via Amoy: 8.45 a.m.; Taipeh (direct): 10 a.m.; Chungking: 3.50 a.m.; Haihow via Canton: 8 a.m.
CATC for Taipeh via Swatow, Amoy: 8 a.m.; Amoy: 7 a.m.
HK AIRWAYS for Canton: 9 a.m., 11.15 a.m., 3 p.m., 5.15 p.m.
PAA for New York via Bangkok, Calcutta, Karachi, Damascus, Istanbul, London: 2.30 p.m.

TOMORROW

CNAC for Canton: 9 a.m., 10.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 4.30 p.m.; Swatow: 8.15 a.m.; Amoy via Swatow: 12 noon; Taipeh via Canton, Swatow, Tainan: 10.45 a.m.; Foochow via Amoy: 8.45 a.m.; Kunming via Canton, Liuchow: 9.55 a.m.; Chungking via Canton, Liuchow, Kweilin: 8.30 a.m.; Changsha via Canton, Liuchow, Kweilin: 8 a.m.; Haihow via Canton: 9 a.m.; Tokyo via Taipeh: 8 a.m.
CATC for Taipeh via Swatow, Amoy: 7 a.m.; Canton: 3.15 p.m.
CPA for Singapore via Bangkok: 7 a.m.
HK AIRWAYS for Canton: 9 a.m., 11.15 a.m., 3 p.m., 5.15 p.m.
PAA for New York via Bangkok, Calcutta, Damascus, Istanbul, London: 5.30 p.m.; San Francisco via Okinawa, Tokyo, Wake, Honolulu: 5.30 p.m.; San Francisco via Manila, Guam, Wake, Honolulu: 4.30 p.m.
BOAC for Bangkok, Southampton: 7 a.m.; for Singapore: 9 a.m.
BRAATHENS for Bangkok, Oslo: 9 a.m.
CPAIR for Vancouver.

SATURDAY

AIR FRANCE for Haiphong, Hanoi: 7 a.m.
CNAC for Canton: 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 4.30 p.m.; Swatow: 8.15 a.m.; Amoy via Swatow: 12 noon; Taipeh via Canton; 8 a.m.; Foochow via Amoy: 8.45 a.m.; Yulinkong via Canton, Haihow: 8 a.m.; Haihow via Canton: 8 a.m.
CATC for Taipeh via Swatow, Amoy: 8 a.m.; Amoy: 7 a.m.
CPA for Manila: 3.30 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS for Canton: 9 a.m., 11.15 a.m., 3 p.m., 5.15 p.m.
PAA for San Francisco via Manila, Guam, Wake, Midway, Honolulu: 4.30 p.m.
PAL for San Francisco via Manila, Guam, Wake, Midway, Honolulu: 10 a.m.
BOAC for Tokyo: 6.30 a.m.

WARNING TO IMPORTERS

The Department of Commerce and Industry yesterday warned importers that Landing Certificates (confirming that goods are for local consumption) in respect of gunny bag imports will not be issued.

The warning was made following reports that importers of gunny bags are signing indemnity bonds with the Indian Government guaranteeing Hong Kong Landing Certificates.

The Department added yesterday that importers who put up indemnity bonds do so at their own risk.

BEACHED STEAMER

The Kowloon Wharf steamer from Canton which has been under orders of Mainland authorities since SOCONY reported to the Marine Office that there was a [illegible] steamer outside Whampoa [illegible]

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New Zealand 108 For Three Against Yorkshire

Sheffield, July 27.

The New Zealanders, in their match with Yorkshire here today, scored 108 runs for the loss of three wickets at the luncheon interval.

Yorkshire, several times county champions, formed the opposition to the New Zealanders here today when the touring side renewed acquaintances with Brian Close, the young receiving his county cap.

county player, who attained Test rank before

In fine weather and on a good wicket, New Zealand batted first and the teams were: Yorkshire—Len Hutton, F. A. Lowson, W. Watson, E. Lester, W. G. Keighley, N. W. D. Yardley, D. B. Close, J. H. Wardle, J. P. Whitehead, D. V. Brennan and F. Trueman.

New Zealand—Bert Sutcliffe, V. J. Scott, J. Reid, F. B. Smith, M. P. Donnelly, W. A. Hadlee, G. H. Rabone, F. L. Mooney, C. Burtt, H. B.Cave and G.F. Cresswell.

Sutcliffe monopolised the scoring, driving and pulling with perfect ease on the batsman's pitch. Scott, however, was never happy and was clean bowled by Whitehead, the pace bowler.

The New Zealanders were soon in more trouble. At 58, Reid played on to one of Wardle's slows and the same bowler completely beat Smith ten runs later.

Sutcliffe reached his 50 after 90 minutes and with Donnelly another left hander, as his partner, runs came freely with delightful stroke play by both batsmen.

Yorkshire's 18 year old fast bowler, F. S. Trueman, had to be carried off the field in his second spell of bowling. After delivering the ball to Sutcliffe he turned quickly and suffered a severe sprain. A doctor was called and Trueman was found to be suffering from an acute sprain at the base of the spine. It is probable that he will take no further part in the match.

Scores: New Zealandfi - 1st innings.

Sutcliffe, not out	63
Scott, b. Whitehead	9
Reid, b. Wardle	3
Smith b. Wardle	8
Donnelly, not out	24
Extras	1
Total for three.	108

Third Test Ends In Draw

Manchester, July 26.

England and New Zealand drew the third Test cricket match here today with the final scoreboard in brief showing New Zealand 293 and 348 for seven, England 440 for nine declared.

Long before stumps were drawn it was obvious that there would be no definite result. What little hope England had after getting the first two New Zealand wickets for 58 were shattered when Bert Sutcliffe went on to reach his first Test century in England and Martin Donnelly later hit a brilliant 80.

By mid-afternoon New Zealand had cleared their first innings arrears of 147 and there then remained about three hours for play. The pitch appeared to be taking spin to favour that type of bowler, but the struggle between them and New Zealand's two brilliant lefthanders, Sutcliffe and Donnelly, ended with honours to the batsmen.

Before play started Brown must have thought deeply whether to declare at once or carry on batting. He decided to bat and used the heaviest roller in order to break up the pitch. But in an hour England lost four wickets for 77 before declaring.

Trevor Bailey was unbeaten with 72 runs to his credit, but this grand effort, which incidentally saw him pass his thousand runs for the season, probably handicapped his bowling. He was not the force of the first innings when England were in the field and had only one good spell when he took a wicket to give him his 95th of the season.

Tried Everything

Brown tried everything he had to get New Zealand out and used all 10 available men, only Godfrey Evans, the wicket-keeper, not having a turn with the ball, but it was of no avail. Sutcliffe did not make a mistake until stepping in front of a Compton delivery to be out leg before. By that time, however, New Zealand were safe.

Donnelly gave another grand display, but was stumped when going out to drive Brown, and his innings finally shattered England's hopes.

The one fact emerging from the match is that unless they can get help from the pitch England's bowlers are not good enough to beat New Zealand, a fine batting side, in three days.

Although there was an outside chance of England forcing a victory when play was continued after lunch, another wicket was vitally necessary to them. Wallace was never looking happy against Hollies and it came as no surprise when the New Zealander was leg before when playing back at 109. He was rather unlucky inasmuch as the ball kept low.

Main Hopes

This brought Donnelly in for an all-lefthander partnership, on which New Zealand's main hopes of saving the game rested. They were certainly best suited to deal with the deliveries of Hollies.

England's hopes faded as the lefthanders took command of the bowling and long before tea the innings defeat was averted. Close had a few overs, but looked innocuous and Sutcliffe treated him harshly.

Brown himself went on, and the combined leg spin attack of Hollies and Brown kept the batsmen quieter, but did not prevent Sutcliffe from entering the 90's soon after the stand with Donnelly had passed the half century.

Quick Bowling Changes

Sutcliffe exceeded his best Test score in England when the third of three sweeps to leg, all for four, took him past 82, his score in the first match of the present series. Brown tried several quick bowling changes and at 187, after Sutcliffe had just passed his century, Compton broke the partnership by getting Sutcliffe leg before.

It was sweet revenge for the Middlesex man, who just previously had been despatched for two successive fours by Sutcliffe.

Altogether Sutcliffe batted two hours and 45 minutes, hit 12 fours and played a chanceless innings for his first Test century in this country.

Reid and Donnelly, whose big stand in the first innings saved New Zealand, were together until tea, having added 28 runs.

New Zealand were then 68 runs in front and there remained only 115 minutes for play, so that the draw seemed inevitable.

Brown saved the new ball until after tea when Bailey had one good spell with it and clean bowled Reid. Rabone came out to join Donnelly and the failure to break this stand really stopped England from forcing a victory. When the last hour arrived New Zealand were 130 runs ahead and still had five wickets standing.

Donnelly, when 80, and Mooney were both stumped when going out in an attempt to drive Brown, but Rabone and Burtt then held out until stumps were drawn.

Final Scores

The final scoreboard read:

New Zealand: 1st innings 293.

2ND INNINGS

Sutcliffe lbw, b Compton	101
Scott, b Jackson	13
Hadlee, c Brown, b Hollies	22
Wallace lbw, b Hollies	14
Donnelly st., Evans, b Brown	80
Reid, b Bailey	25
Rabone, not out	39
Mooney st., Evans, b Brown	15
Burtt, not out	27
Extras	12
Total for 7 wkts.	348

Bowling

	O	M	R	W
Bailey	16	0	71	1
Jackson	12	3	25	1
Hollies	26	6	52	2
Brown	21	3	71	2
Close	17	2	46	0
Compton	8	0	28	1
Edrich	5	0	26	0
Simpson	2	1	9	0
Washbrook	2	0	8	0
Hutton	1	1	0	0

England: 1st innings 440 or 9 declared.—Reuter.

TABLE TENNIS

The Union Jack Club Table Tennis League sponsored by the Women's Voluntary Service was won by the Portuguese Catholic Association when they beat the British Military Hospital by seven games to two at the Union Jack Club last night.

For the winners, L. G. Cruz played a very good game, as did Kuan Kee for the losers.

The shield will be presented to the winning team at a dance to be held at the Union Jack Club in the near future.

British Military Hospital: G.W. Spearing, Kwan Kee, J. Armstrong.

Portuguese Catholic Association: C. Cruz, L.G. Cruz, L. Souza.

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Bobby Locke Arrives In Belfast

Belfast, July 26.

Bobby Locke, the South African golf star, arrived in Belfast today by plane to compete in the Irish Open championship starting tomorrow.

He came from London via Glasgow, where he received a cable inviting him to return to the U.S. for a tourney at Spokano, Washington. Locke said the cable came from Bud Ward, the amateur golfer from Spokano.

"I have not had time to think about it yet," said Locke.

Locke was black listed on Monday by the U.S. Professional Golfers' Association from competing in tournaments it sponsors because he allegedly failed to keep his dates.

Locke A Big Draw

Commenting on the ban, the London "Star" said, "There is no doubt that America's loss in banning Bobby Locke from PGA tournaments is Britain's gain. Locke is a big draw wherever he goes."

Commander Robert C.T. Roe, Secretary of the British PGA said he was calling a special meeting of members of his Executive Committee to discuss the American ban on Locke.

"Until we meet," said Commander Roe, "I cannot say anything. I don't even know when we will meet."

Locke a captain of the British PGA. He was elected to the post after winning the Open championship.

The Sportsman's Diary in the London "Evening Standard" commented. "It seems a pity that the trouble has been brought to a head, because Locke out of courtesy remained here for a few weeks after his success at Sandwich. One wonders if the American decision is in keeping with the best traditions of U.S. golf."—Associated Press.

An Outsider Wins £1,700 Steward's Cup

Goodwood, July 26.

The Bite, a 33 to 1 outsider owned by Mrs. W. J. Armstrong, a Cambridge widow, beat Mr. V. Gilmour's 20 to 1 shot, Spartan Sacrifice, by a short head in a photo-finish to win the £1,700 Stewards' Cup, when the four-day Goodwood meeting was begun today.

The pair flashed past the post inseparable to the human eye and provided the first photo-finish for the event, a six-furlongs sprint, which was contested by 21 runners.

Lady Bullough's Luminary, a 4 to 1 favourite, made a gallant effort to set up a weight-carrying record for a three-year-old with nine stone, and would have won in two or three more strides. He was half a length behind.

Mr. R. Foster's Combined Operations, who formerly raced in India, ran well under a top weight of nine stone, seven pounds. He finished seventh.

A Popular Winner

Ridden by Harry Packham and trained by 70-year old Mr. J. Wood The Bite, a four-year old colt by Denturium out of Combine, took the lead a furlong from home and held on to become a popular winner with the bookmakers.

It was the third successive outsider to win, Refund winning the first race at 33 to 1, and Lord Rosebery's Forethought, leading from start to finish, to win the second race at 100 to 6.

Odds on favourites took the last three races. The champion jockey, Gordon Richards, won the Richmond Two-Year-Old Stakes on the Aga Khan's Palestine, at 100 to 8 on, and the King George Stakes on Major MacDonald Buchanan's Abernant, at 100 to 30 on.

These two followed the first winning favourite of the meeting, the locally-trained Four Thousand Guineas' colt, Zodiac, who beat the Northern challenger, Flittermouse, by a head at 15 to 8 on.

Most Disappointed Onlooker

The most disappointed of the thousands of onlookers was the Australian jockey, Athol Mulley, who had hoped to ride Frank Hartigan's Stewards' Cup runner Wonder Why.

Mulley, who arrived only a few days ago from riding in South Africa, was informed that he must ride in a mere modest event before making his first English appearance in a big race.

Tomorrow, a hole as big will face the starter for the main event of the day at Goodwood. This is the two-mile, three furlongs Goodwood Stakes.

The runners and jockeys are: Aldborough (F. Bardow). Now or Never (T. Hamcroft). Cider Apple (T. Witts). Mallowry (W. Rickaby). Harleah (E. C. Elliott). Lacovedis (M. Beary). Fou Ami (T. Burn). Summer Shower (Gordon Richards). Asmodee (W. H. Carr). Thor (D. Smith). Belfast (E. Smith). Bangkok (H. Packham). Otago (D. Greening).

Prix Negofel Winner

Paris, July 26.

Sir Oliver Goonetilleke, the Ceylon High Commissioner in London, won the Prix Negofel at St. Cloud yesterday with his two-year old colt, The Berry.

The race was open to first-time starters only, and it was the initial appearance of Sir Oliver's colours on a French race course.

The Berry, ridden by W. Rochetti, paid 6 win dividend to 24 francs for a 10 franc stake on the parimutuel.

Rumjahn, Omar Win Bowls Singles Matches

(By "RAMBLER")

Further progress was made in the Colony Open Lawn Bowls Singles championship with U. A. Rumjahn of the Indian Recreation Club qualifying for the third Round with a dramatic win over J. E. Noronha at the Kowloon Cricket Club by 21-20.

At the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, A. M. Omar of the Craigengower Cricket Club beat F. X. M. da Silva of the Club de Recreio by 22-12 after 19 heads.

Rumjahn's victory was all the more creditable for he had to fight an uphill battle during the greater part of the game.

Although Rumjahn got the green right from the start and took the lead to 5-0 after four heads, Noronha came back strongly and registered two threes and a single on the following three heads to take lead to 7-5. Noronha however allowed Rumjahn to registered a single on the following head. Thereafter, Noronha scored eight shots on the following five heads to lead 15-6. Rumjahn reduced the lead with two on the following head and by the end of the 18th head Noronha was leading 19-11.

Rumjahn came back fighting and registered four shots on the next three heads to bring the score to 19-16 in favour of Noronha. The Portuguese player scored a single on the 22nd head to lead, 20-16. Needing a single shot to win Noronha on the next three lay the shot, but Rumjahn came back fighting and on each took the shot from Noronha.

Deciding Head

After 24 heads the score was 20 all. On the deciding head Noronha lay the shot a few inches behind the jack. Rumjahn came through to draw the shot and score a dramatic win.

A. M. Omar qualified for the next round when he beat F. X. M. da Silva by 22-12. The standard of bowls was extremely high with both players giving a good display. It was the more consistent bowling on the part of Omar that gave him a well deserved victory.

Omar took the lead right from the start and kept it till the last wood was rolled. The score was 3-2 in favour of Omar at the end of the 4th head, five all on the sixth head, 14-6 on the 11th head, 15-12 on the 15th head.

With only three shots in the lead, Omar exerted pressure and finished off the game on the next three heads by scoring seven shots.

Middlesex Share Lead With Worcester

London, July 26.

By their resounding victory over Worcestershire, Middlesex have joined their rivals at the head of the County cricket championship table, each with 116 points from 17 matches.

First innings points for Warwickshire and Glamorgan enabled them to join defeated Yorkshire in third place. All three Counties have 104 points—Yorkshire and Warwickshire from 17 matches, Glamorgan from 18.

Warwickshire took part with Kent in one of the most exciting finishes to a drawn game for years. After three days' play, during which 729 runs were scored, Warwickshire needed only two runs to win when play closed today, while Kent had only to secure their opponents' last wicket for victory to be theirs.

Worcestershire held out for three and a half hours against Middlesex today, but could not stave off an overwhelming defeat. On a pitch showing signs of wear, "Laddie" Outschoorn, Worcestershire's Ceylon batsman, defied both spin and pace bowling and became an inspiration to his colleagues. His 94 not out was his best of the season, and with Yarnold (61) he added 100 in 65 minutes for the eighth wicket.

Exciting Match

Highlight of the exciting match between Kent and Warwickshire was a hat-trick by the New Zealander, Tom Pritchard, of Warwickshire—the third of the season.

Pritchard, who also performed the hat-trick last year, dismissed Pheboy, Crush and Upton.

The match was a triumph for the two professional captains, who hit top score in each of the four innings. Altogether Ames made 229 and Dollery 213.

The last over arrived with Warwickshire still needing five, with eight of their wickets down. Taylor was out off the first ball. And off the next ball Bromley should have been stumped. Two singles followed, and then a leg bye off which Bromley survived an appeal for leg before, but Spooner could not score off the last ball.

Surrey Bowlers Assume Command

The Surrey bowlers quickly assumed command against Yorkshire on a responsive pitch, and only Lester stood firm following his first innings of 58 with 41.

Lock and Eric Bedser caused Yorkshire's quick dismissal and their second championship defeat this season and led Surrey to their fourth win out of the last six matches. They are now sixth in the table with 100 points.

A sixth wicket stand of 138 in 110 minutes by Hampshire's Clifford Walker and Derek Shackleton foiled Glamorgan's bid for a win. Each made his highest score for the County and Walker got his first century for them, with 12 fours.

Revill and Rhodes broke the fifth wicket record for Derbyshire by putting up 188 against Nottinghamshire. The previous best was 170 in 1895.

The results of the games ended today were:

Results

At Bristol: Gloucestershire beat Lancashire by 10 wickets. Lancashire 220 and 139; Gloucestershire 305 and 55 for none.

At Belfast: Gents of Ireland beat Gents of Scotland by 73 runs. Gents of Ireland 134 and 153; Gents of Scotland 80 and 134 (Newburn 3 for 23).

At The Oval: Surrey beat Yorkshire by 132 runs. Surrey 263 and 138; Yorkshire 169 and 100 (Lock 4 for 43).

At Worcester: Middlesex beat Worcestershire by an innings and 54 runs. Middlesex 623 for 5 declared; Worcestershire, 188 and 381 (Outschoorn 94 not out, Yarnold 61).

At Bournemouth: Hampshire drew with Glamorgan. Hampshire 159 and 365 for 6 (Bailey 57, Walker 103 not out, Shackleton 84); Glamorgan 393.

At Maidstone: Kent drew with Warwickshire. Kent 255 and 300 for 9 declared. (Ames 160). Warwickshire 280 and 275 for 9 (Dollery 118).

At Ilkeston: Derbyshire drew with Nottinghamshire. Derbyshire 221 and 399 for 6 declared (Rhodes 125, Revill 79); Nottinghamshire 134 and 198 for 3 (Hardstaff 78 not out).

SWIMMING EXHIBITION WILL BE HELD

A telegram received from Manila by Ted Brown, Hong Kong representative of Lou Bittner's touring American swim team, stated that the show went over in the Philippines with great success.

Brown said that Bittner made no mention of the threat of suspension of the swimmers by the United States Amateur Athletic Union, as reported by AP yesterday.

The Americans are due to arrive by PAL on August 1, staging the exhibition on the following two days.

Meanwhile in Hong Kong, Ted Brown and Poon Wing-kai, sponsors of the show, have completed local arrangements.

Stands are being erected at the Ritz swimming bath to accommodate more than 2,500 spectators at one sitting. Advance bookings are open and in Brown's words: "the show will go on in accordance with arrangements at the outset."

Lawn Bowls Teams

Lawn Bowls teams for Saturday, July 30.

CLUB DE RECREIO

1st team "A" versus Kowloon Cricket Club at King's Park:

G. A. Guterres, C. E. Marques, F. V. V. Ribeiro, J. E. Noronha, B. Marques, A. M. Souza, R. F. Luz, J. A. Luz, A. P. Pereira, C. Roza Pereira, C. C. Pereira, J. F. V. Ribeiro.

1st team "B" versus Police Recreation Club at PRC:

H. R. Pinna, G. A. Noronha, C. F. Remedios, L. F. Xavier, P. N. da Silva, A. M. Alves, F. X. Soares, J. C. Remedios, M. A. Baptista, C. P. Basto, C. M. Silva, F. X. da Silva.

2nd team versus Taikoo Dock Club at Taikoo:

L. S. Silva, J. P. Xavier, M. F. Pinna, E. M. Alarcon, A. M. Silva, P. A. Costa, N. A. Beltrao, A. A. Lopes, R. M. V. Ribeiro, B. Pintos, A. V. Gosano, A. F. Noronha.

3rd team versus Prison Officers Club at King's Park:

R. A. Campos, J. A. Victor, M. L. Roza, J. J. Basto, J. Fonseca, M. Nunes, J. Cotton, L. A. Rozario, G. A. Pinna, S. E. Souza, E. H. Carvalho, D. C. Alves.

HKFC

2nd team versus Kowloon Cricket Club at Happy Valley: G. S. Brown, L. Strange, C. Carr, M. N. Rakusen (Skip); L. F. Hamley, A. McAlpine, T. Plie, B. O. Bickford (Skip); J. S. Howell, E. Strange, J. A. R. Selby, N. J. Bebbington (Skip).

FILIPINO CLUB

2nd team versus Kowloon Bowling Green Club at King's Park:

J. W. Lee, C. F. Lee, V. N. Atienza, W. V. Field (Skip). W. F. Johnson, T. K. Lim, H. Y. Hsu, W. C. Ogley (Skip); A. Y. Lee, W. S. Chang, R. Basa, D. A. Rozario (Skip).

Reserves:—F. Rodrigues, I. S. Castro.

VRC's "Morse Night" Events

The Victoria Recreation Club's "Morse Night," a swim gala evening honouring the Knighthood of the club's president, Sir Arthur Morse, will have the following programme:—

Event No. 1. VRC senior boys 100 yards free style.

Event No. 2. 4 x 50 yard free style relay. (Police, Combined Services, HKDF).

Event No. 3. women's 50 yards free style.

Event No. 4. men's 100 yards back stroke.

Event No. 5. VRC veterans' 50 yards free style scratch race.

Event No. 6. VRC members' 100 yards free style.

Event No. 7. men's 100 yards breast stroke.

Event No. 8. VRC junior boys 75 yards individual medley.

Event No. 9. diving exhibition.

Event No. 10. men's 100 yards free style.

Event No. 11. women 100 yards free style.

Event No. 12. 4 x 50 yards free style relay. (HK Bank, APC, Dodwell, Cable & Wireless).

Event No. 13. VRC women's 50 yards free style.

Event No. 14. VRC members 150 yards back stroke.

Event No. 15. men's 50 yards free style.

Event No. 16. VRC members 4 x 100 yards freestyle relay (League Event).

ST. JOSEPH'S FOR CANTON

The St. Joseph's Football Club Soccer XI will be visiting Canton for a series of charity games over the week-end.

The games will be played in aid of flood victims from the Samshui District.

Accompanying the St. Joseph's XI will be a team of prominent Chinese sports players from local Clubs.

SCAA Meet CRC In Crucial Tennis Match

All roads of the local tennis world lead to King's Park this afternoon, where the tennis battle of the season will be fought out between the South China Athletic Association and the Chinese Recreation Club, the two premier men's tennis clubs in the Colony.

Although Ip Koon-hong, the reigning Colony Singles champion will not be present to do service for his Club, today's match will not lack colour in that South China are expected to introduce into their team as colourful a figure as Ip in A. Wei who extended the local champion to three sets in the last Shanghai Open tournament.

The match itself should be a close affair, with the Tai Hang Club holding a slight advantage. The South China team can still hold their own, if they will not allow themselves to be morally upset by Ip's absence.

The following are expected to be the line-ups:

SCAAS: Roch Leung and T.T. Chen, Edwin Choy and Sze-to Bick, David Choy and A. Wei.

CRC: Tsui Wai-pui and Choy Tin-took, Tsui Yun-pui and Lee Yue-wing, George Chon and Lee Wai-tong.

Yesterday's Matches

The Chinese Recreation Club "B" team still retained the lead in the "C" Division League with 12 points although it had a rest yesterday.

The CRC "A" team jumps to the second position as a result of a 9-0 win over the Kowloon Cricket Club, replacing South China Athletic Association, who now occupy the third berth.

Craigengower, IRC and USRC each won their games against CRC "C," Kowloon Dock and Recreio respectively.

Men's "C" Division

IRC 8—Kowloon Dock 1

J.H. Burbeck and R. Lapsley (KD) beat S.M. Rumjahn and S.H. Khan 6-4, lost to S.E.M. Bux and S.A. Karim 0-6, lost to A.J. Hussain and W. Mohammed 2-6.

G. Elenkinsop and R.S. Gourlay (KD) lost to Rumjahn and Khan 1-6, lost to Bux and Karim 2-6, lost to Hussain and Mohammed 2-7.

G.K. Humphreys and W. Gaffney (KD) lost to Rumjahn and Khan 0-6, lost to Bux and Karim 1-6, lost to Hussain and Mohammed 3-6.

USRC 7—Recreio 2

E.A. Hancock and Capt. Makreth (USRC) lost to A. Alves and Osmund 4-6, beat M. Guterres and B. Remedios 6-3, beat L. Guterres and A. Yvanovich 6-4.

A. Anderson and R. Linderman (USRC) lost to A. Alves and Osmund 4-6, beat Guterres and Remedios 6-0, beat Guterres and Yvanovich 6-3.

Capt. Nicholson and N. Wright (USRC) beat Alves and Osmund 6-4, beat Guterres and Remedios 6-1, beat Guterres and Yvanovich 6-2.

CRC "A" 9—KCC 0

Y.K. Chung and K.W. Ma (CRC) beat D. Hung and F.A. Broadbridge 6-2, beat W.A. Nicholas and R.S. Capell 6-0, beat J. Guest and J. Arzooni 6-0.

Daniel Chan K.T. Lai (CRC) beat Hung and Broadbridge 6-2, beat Nicholas and Capell 6-2, beat Guest and Arzooni 6-1.

F.K. Lau and C.S. Wong (CRC) beat Hung and Broadbridge 6-3, beat Nicholas and Capell 6-2, beat Guest and Arzooni 6-1.

CRC "C" 2½—CCC 6½

S.K. Leung and T.S. Lo (CRC) lost to H.K. Chan and S.M. Lau 2-6, drew with B.W. Choy and H.T. Woo 6-6, beat Y.P. Choy and K.S. Hsu 6-0.

S.M. Wong and K.S. Wong (CRC) drew with Chan and Lau 6-6, lost to Choy and Woo 5-7, lost to Choy and Hsu 3-6.

Y.T. Chung and George Lin Jr. (CRC) lost to Chan and Lau 2-6, lost to Choy and Woo 1-6, drew with Choy and Hsu 6-6.

SCAA v LRC (postponed)

League Standings

MEN'S "C" DIVISION

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
CRC "B"	6	6	0	0	48	6	12
CRC "A"	5	5	0	0	43	2	10
SCAA	5	4	0	1	39	6	9
CCC	6	4	1	1	34	20	9
IRC	6	4	2	0	27½	26½	8
KCC	6	2	2	0	22	32	6
CRC "C"	6	2	3	0	26	28	6
USRC	7	2	5	0	32	40	6
Recreio	6	1	5	0	18½	40½	4
LRC	5	0	5	0	14½	39½	3
Kowloon Dock	6	0	6	0	9½	51½	2

Today's Games

MEN'S "A" DIVISION

SCAA v CRC

HKU v Recreio

KCC v HKCC

LADIES' "A" DIVISION

USRC v LRC

MEN'S "B" DIVISION

CCC v USRC

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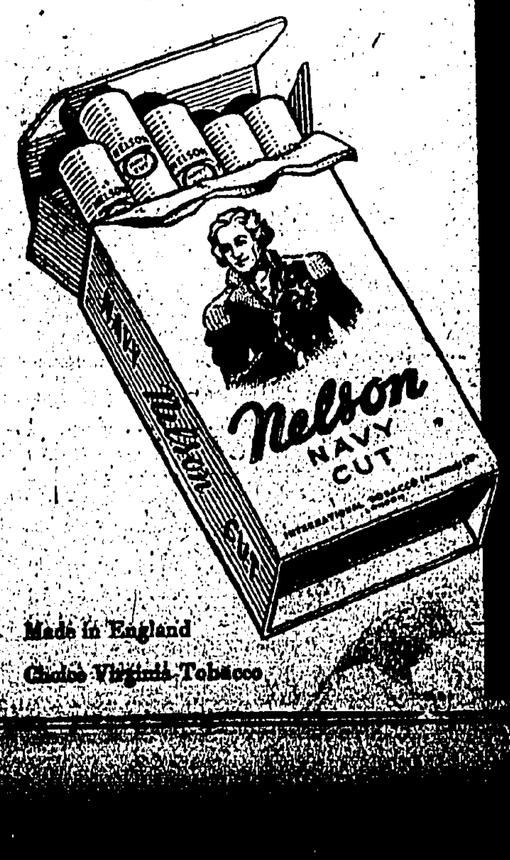

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